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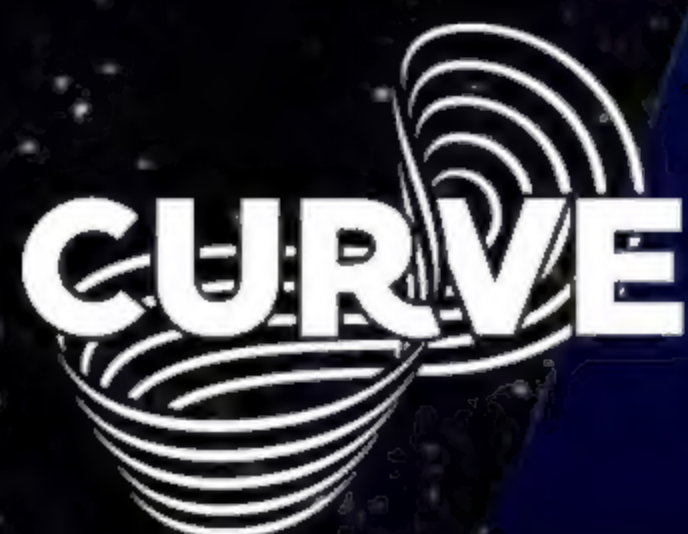
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## SIGN UP TO OUR NEWSLETTER

Find all the latest news and gossip from the festival by subscribing to our newsletter.

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## WE HAVE HUNDREDS OF EVENTS FOR YOU TO CHOOSE FROM THIS YEAR!

Visit the festival website and use the search facility to filter your choice.

**TICK THE BOXES** next to the dates, start times, or venues to find events at the time to suit you, or use our keyword search to find an event if you know the title or performer.

Once you find an event – make a night of it using our **SUGGESTIONS FOR OTHER EVENTS** before and after the event you're interested in.

## COMMENTS

We work with over 250 promoters who take the responsibility for organising the individual events. We co-ordinate the programme and provide overall marketing and publicity. This means that we do pass on your praise, comments and criticism to the relevant promoter or organiser of the event. We are keen to know what you think of events, venues, marketing, workshops and everything that takes place during the festival

Our contact details can be found on page 162 so please do get in touch!



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# WELCOME TO LEICESTER COMEDY FESTIVAL 2023!

**Hello and welcome to Leicester Comedy Festival 2023! It's brilliant to be back, presenting an incredible programme of shows and events designed to tickle your funny bone. Take a look through the pages of this brochure and start planning your visit.**

As you will probably know, this year is the 30th anniversary of the festival. A student project which frankly got a bit out of hand.... Over the years we have grown and developed the event, and it remains one of the biggest independent festivals in the UK and the biggest comedy festival in Europe. The support we continue to receive from members of the public, comedians, producers & agents, promoters & venues, sponsors & partners, as well as lots of other people who continue to help, is just amazing and we are incredibly proud of the festival community which exists around the core team.

Our key aims remain the same as they ever were: to celebrate British comedy, and support new and emerging talent.

I'm delighted that for 2023 we will welcome hundreds of comedians to venues across Leicester & Leicestershire. Acts such as Stewart Lee, Nish Kumar, Sophie Duker, Hal Cruttenden, Fern Brady, Danny Baker, Jimeoin, Seann Walsh, Aaron Twitchen, Eshaan Akbar, Arthur Smith, Glenn Wool, Jason Byrne, Nabil Abdulrashid, Mrs Barbara Nice, Olga Koch will all be performing alongside many, many more.

I'm especially thrilled about the events we produce each year, which have become firm favourites. Returning this year will be Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year Competition, the 10th anniversary of The UK Pun Championships, Circuit Breakers, Silver Stand Up, Comedy Heaven and our Beyond A Joke discussion programme. Our UK Kids' Comedy Festival is also back, marking its 5th anniversary, and you can check out the programme by visiting [www.ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://www.ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)

We've pulled together a few ultra special events to help mark the 30th year. There will be some exhibitions of past festivals, a special online documentary about the history of the festival (featuring festival friends including Arthur Smith & Jo Brand), a lunchtime 30th Anniversary Celebration and also a slightly ridiculous 30 Acts for £30 show where you will get the chance to see some of our friends perform in a mega long comedy show.

It gives me huge pleasure that we have announced Stewart Lee, Jo Brand, Eshaan Akbar and Sikisa, who will be joining Founding Patron

**Grab your tickets online (via [www.comedy-festival.co.uk](http://www.comedy-festival.co.uk)) or call the ticketing team on 0116 456 6812.**



Tony Slattery, as patrons for this festival and in the future. Their support is very much appreciated.

Do continue to support those acts you may not have heard of yet. The festival has developed a really strong reputation as being a supportive and friendly place for comedians to try out their material so please help us continue this. Go and see some of your favourites but also take a punt and go and see acts you don't yet know. Over the years many of these "unknown" acts have gone on to become massive so you never know who you will be seeing perform in huge venues in years to come.

From the very beginning we have worked with a number of organisations who support the festival and I'm delighted that Leicester City Council and De Montfort University are once again our main partners. We are also supported by a network of smaller, and more local businesses, as well as our community of comedians, promoters and venues. If you get a chance to support any of these, and say "thank you" to them for continuing to support us, please do; I know they would genuinely appreciate it.

Leicester Comedy Festival is produced by registered charity Big Difference and we increasingly rely on donations to support the festival and receive these from a number of organisations and individuals. If you can, please consider making a donation (however small) when you buy your tickets. 100% of all the ticket money goes to the performers, venues and promoters so your donations will really help support future festivals.

You possibly know that Leicester Comedy Festival 2023 will be my last. After 30 years I have made the really difficult decision to hand over the microphone and see if I can do anything else with my life. I've had an absolute blast over the years and consider myself to have been really privileged to have had the opportunity to work with such a brilliant bunch of people to pull this thing together each February. Thank you to everyone who is part of our community, and I'm looking forward to seeing Leicester Comedy Festival continue to grow and develop in future years.

I hope you enjoy the festival. It's going to be a hell of a party.

**Thanks so much. Stay safe, smile and enjoy**

**Geoff Rowe BEM**

Founder, Leicester Comedy Festival

 @geoff\_rowe



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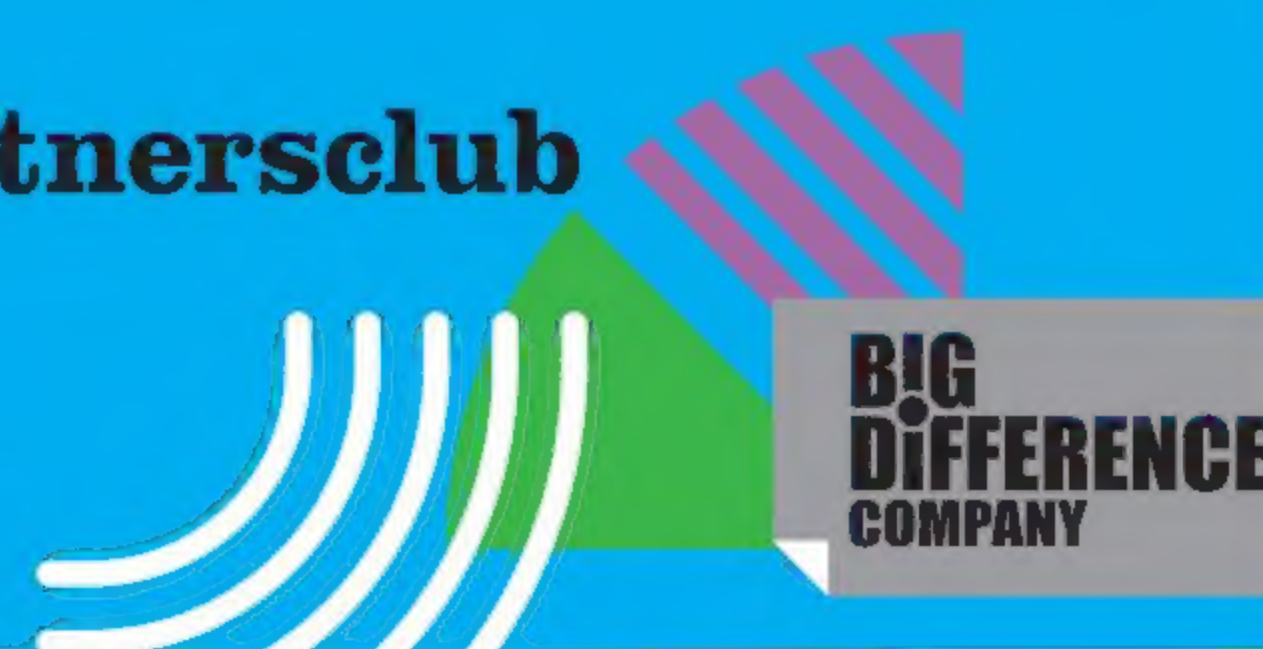
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## WELCOME FROM OUR CEO



It's my absolute pleasure to welcome you to Leicester Comedy Festival 2023 and to invite you to join us for our 30th anniversary celebrations. It's such an achievement to have reached this landmark year and a testament to the talent, ingenuity, and determination of the festival team over so many years, not least to our Founder Geoff Rowe, who is stepping down from his role in March after creating and leading the festival over the last three decades.



We would like to say a huge thank you to all those organisations and individuals that have supported us over the years; our Main Partners, Leicester City Council and De Montfort University, our many Funders, Sponsors and Business Partners Club members, our individual supporters, all the comedians, promoters and venues who have taken part over the past 30 years and our volunteers, who give so much of their time and energy, and to you, our audiences.

You may already be aware that Big Difference is the registered charity that produces Leicester Comedy Festival. As a charity our mission is to improve people's lives through comedy and laughter, and we work year-round to deliver festivals, cultural events and projects with communities in Leicester and beyond.

Every time you buy a ticket for a show, make a donation or engage with the festivals, you are supporting not only Leicester Comedy Festival, ensuring that this brilliant cultural event continues to thrive into the next thirty years, but you are also supporting new and emerging comedians and the work with communities young and old that Big Difference delivers year-round. We really couldn't do any of our work without you and we are so grateful for all your support.

**We are so excited to reveal our 2023 programme and to welcome you to this very special anniversary of Leicester Comedy Festival. We hope you find many shows and events to make you smile and laugh out loud, and we really look forward to welcoming you to our birthday festivities in February.**

**Laura Arends**

Chief Executive Officer, Big Difference Company



**WE WANT YOU!**

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN GOING BEHIND THE SCENES AND EXPERIENCING THE FESTIVAL IN A DIFFERENT WAY?**

**JOIN OUR TEAM AND HELP US MAKE THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF LEICESTER COMEDY FESTIVAL A FANTASTIC CELEBRATION.**

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN US AS:  
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FESTIVAL DRIVERS | FESTIVAL AMBASSADORS AND MORE.**

For more information contact us on  
[volunteers@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk](mailto:volunteers@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk)



# A JOURNEY TO CELEBRATE



**It was shortly after coming to the city as Deputy Director of Recreation and Arts that a young man asked to see me about the city council funding a comedy festival in the city. I was pleased that we decided to do so, as this marked the start of a remarkable journey that we now celebrate. One person remains the constant in that journey, Geoff Rowe.**



My relationship with Geoff and the comedy festival took on a new dimension when ten years ago I became the chair of the Big Difference trustees and had the pleasure of working closely with Geoff over the last decade.

Thirty years is a long time to be the driver and motivator of a festival that has gone well beyond a local community initiative to being recognised as a national and even international event. Geoff has played a central role in putting Leicester on the map and from his initial idea many other festivals have been created celebrating the vibrancy of Leicester's cultural life for which he has been a role model. The city and the world of comedy owes Geoff a huge round of applause as he leaves the stage for the last time.

**Celebrating thirty years of comedy festivals gives us all a great opportunity to recognise not just Geoff's achievements but the achievements of everyone involved in the festival over that time but it is also important that we recognise that this is also the beginning of the future.**

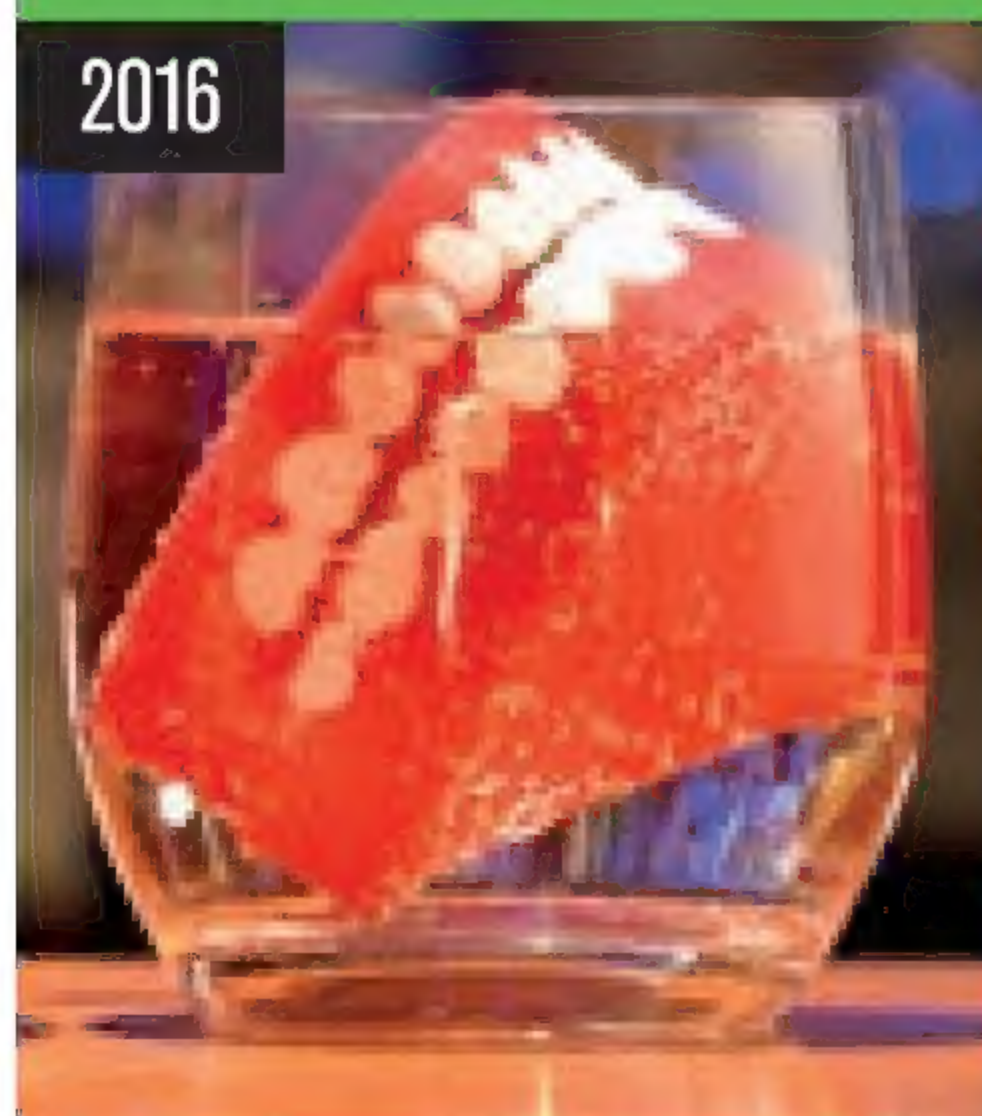
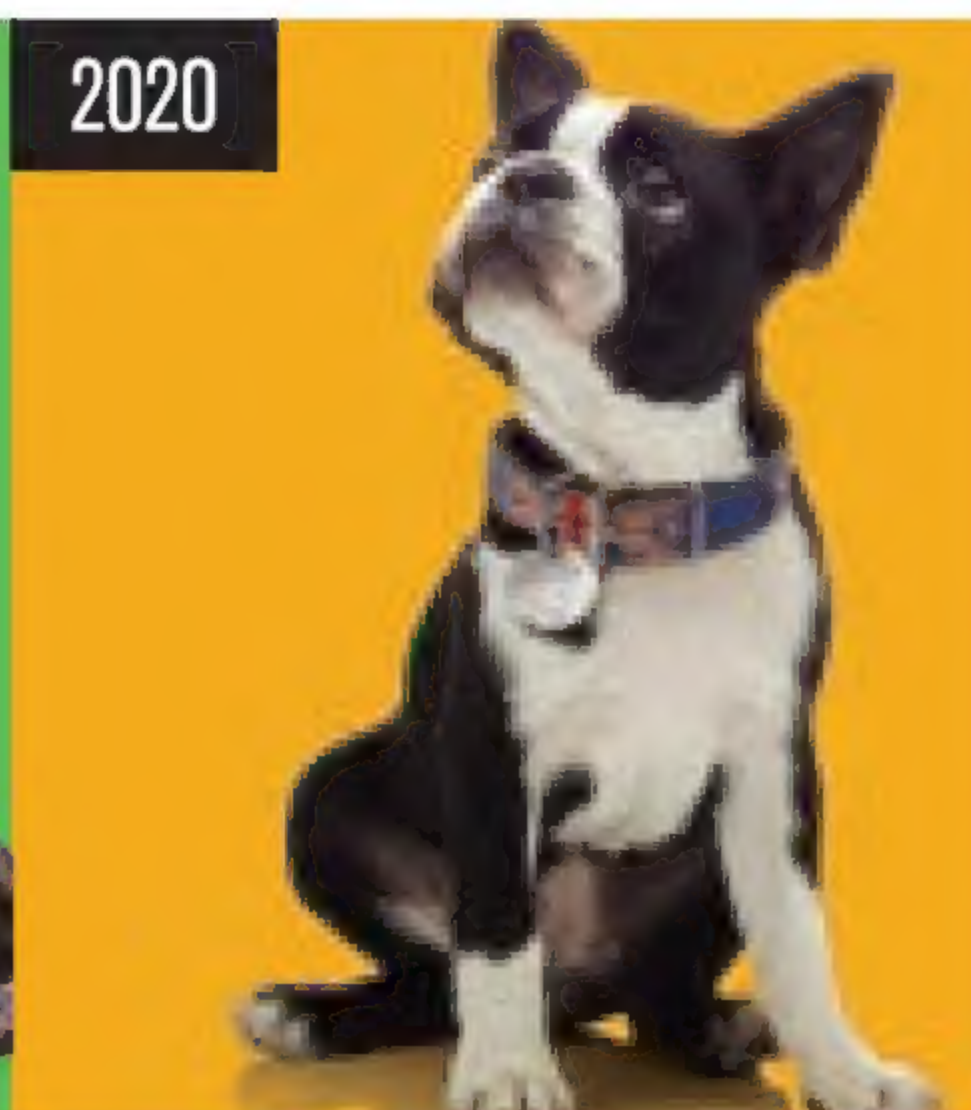
I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone, Leicester City Council for staying the course, De Montfort University for their continued support, all our business partners and sponsors, our staff team led by Laura Arends and the many volunteers without whom we cannot deliver the festivals and our board of trustees.

But I too have decided it's time to stand down and hand the baton to our new Chair of Trustees, Jonathan Kerry, who will ably take us forward into a new era of more exciting festivals supported by our new venue The Big Difference. Change is never easy but only through change can new things grow and prosper, so in the words of a well-known comedy double act...

it's good night from me and  
it's good night from him.

**Martyn Allison**  
Chair of Trustees,  
Big Difference Company

A selection of campaign images  
from previous years





# THE BIG DIFFERENCE COMEDY FUNDRAISER

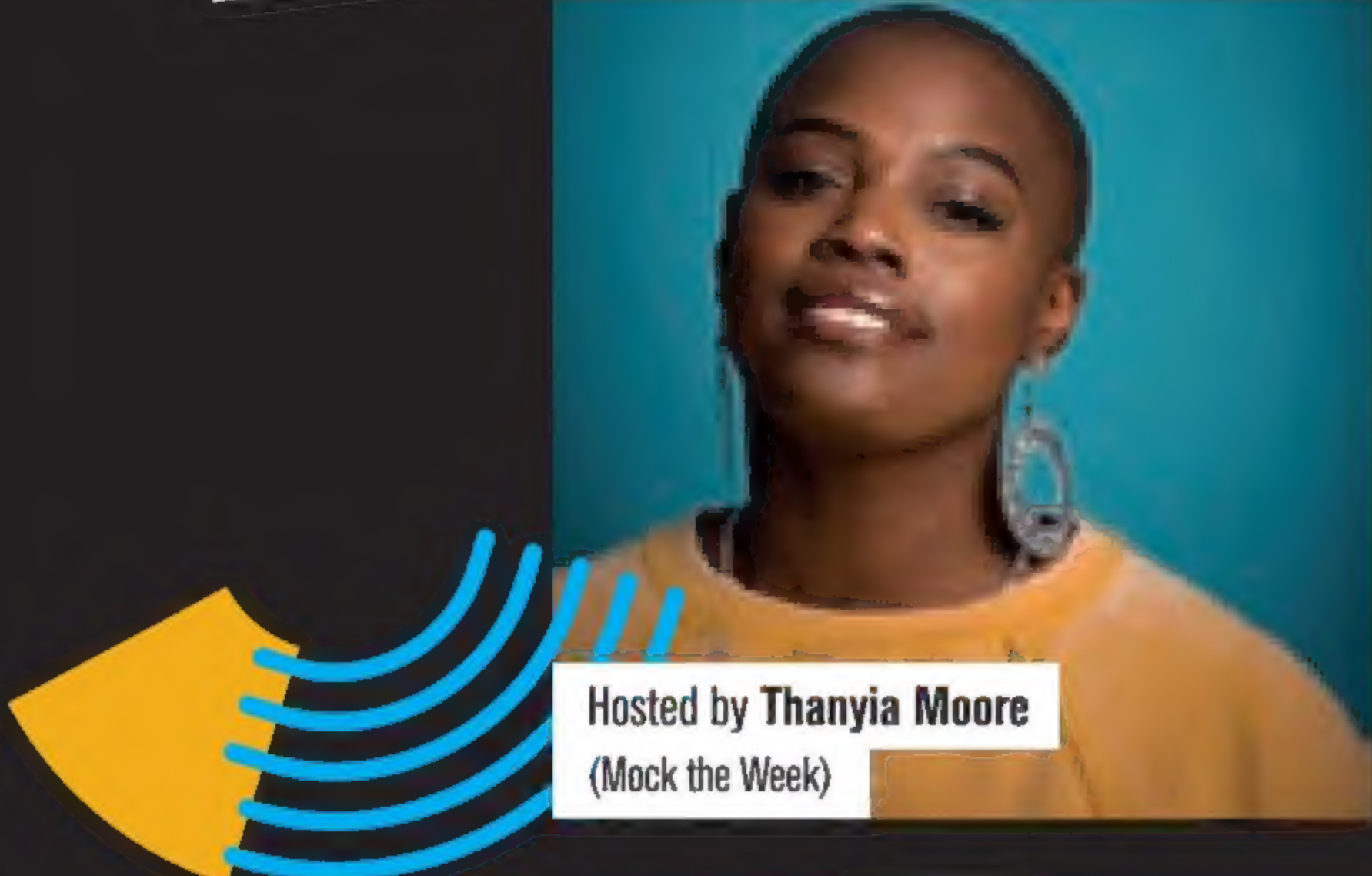


**Milton Jones**  
(Mock the Week, Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow)



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Hosted by **Thanyia Moore**  
(Mock the Week)



**Nina Gilligan**  
(Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year 2021)



**Emmanuel Sonubi**  
(Dave's Best Newcomer nominee 2022)



**Scott Bennett**  
(Live at the Apollo)

**Thursday 16th February, 7.30pm**  
De Montfort Hall, Tickets £22.50



# FESTIVAL INFORMATION

**FESTIVAL TICKET OFFICE: 0116 456 6812**



## HOW TO BOOK TICKETS:

For the past few years, we have been moving to paperless tickets. Most of our tickets are available as e-tickets sent direct to you by email.

Tickets for all festival shows are available from our festival box office at [www.comedy-festival.co.uk](http://www.comedy-festival.co.uk). If you prefer to book over the phone, please give the helpful ticketing team a call on **0116 456 6812**.

The ticket office will be open for telephone sales Monday – Friday from 10am-6pm. During the main festival dates, the phone line will also be staffed Saturdays (10am-6pm) and Sundays (midday-4pm).

Tickets may also be available to purchase direct from the venue/promoter. Details are listed on pages 158-161.

## BOOKING FEES

We pass 100% of ticket income on to our venues, acts and promoters. We have worked hard to keep booking fees as low as possible, working with our ticketing partner Fringe Box Office. In 2023 there is an £1 booking fee charged on all tickets and a maximum booking charge of £5 per transaction. If you have any feedback on our centralised ticket office, do let us know by emailing [info@comedy-festival.co.uk](mailto:info@comedy-festival.co.uk)

If you buy tickets from anywhere else, the booking fees and arrangements may be different so please check the terms and conditions when purchasing tickets.

Leicester Comedy Festival is produced by Big Difference Company, a registered charity (1135167).

If you want to contact the show promoter directly about tickets, contact details can be found on 158-161.

## SPECIAL OFFERS

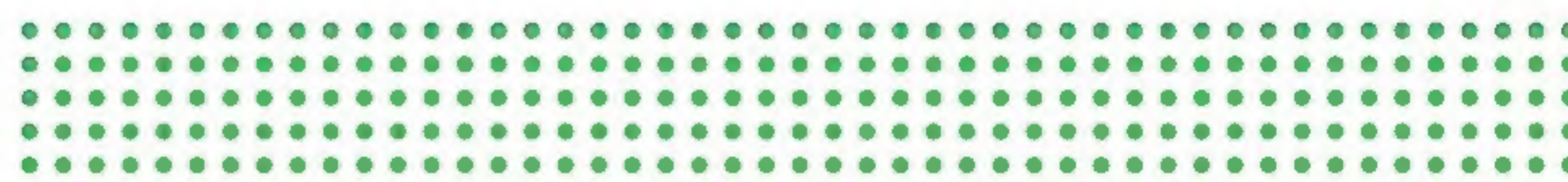
There will be various special offers promoted leading up to, and during, the festival. These are often available via Twitter or Facebook or through our newsletter. For up-to-date news about the festival, sign up to the newsletter via our website [www.comedy-festival.co.uk](http://www.comedy-festival.co.uk)

## PRICES

Prices for events are contained in this brochure; full price tickets are shown and relevant concession/discounted prices are shown in brackets. Discounts vary with different events, so check with the ticket office when booking.

## TIMES

Start times indicate the time the performance will start; the venue may open before this, and you are advised to check opening times when booking tickets. We have also tried to suggest finish times (so you can enjoy more than one event in a day). It is difficult to guarantee finish times as comedy shows do sometimes overrun but we hope the estimates are useful.



## ACCOMMODATION

If you're coming from out of town, there are several hotels in Leicester where you can stay and catch some laughs late into the night. Our official Festival hotels are The Gresham, Hotel Brooklyn, The Belmont Hotel and St. Martins Lodge. You can find more information about deals and how to book on our website and on pages 12 and 13 of the brochure.

## UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION:

Visit: [www.comedy-festival.co.uk](http://www.comedy-festival.co.uk) or visit our Facebook page [/LeicsComedyFest](https://www.facebook.com/LeicsComedyFest)

Twitter: [@LeicsComedyFest](https://twitter.com/LeicsComedyFest)

Watch: Watch shows live streamed from the festival at [www.watch.nextupcomedy.com](http://www.watch.nextupcomedy.com)  
Search for Leicester Comedy Festival on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

Listen: BBC Radio Leicester [www.bbc.co.uk/leicester](http://www.bbc.co.uk/leicester)

Read: **Leicester Mercury** for interviews, previews & reviews

## GET THERE EARLY!

Some of the venues have fixed seating and you'll get issued with a seat number when you buy your ticket. Other venues allocate seats on a first come, first served basis so there are occasionally queues of people waiting to get in to make sure they get the "best" seats. We've indicated which option is relevant next to each event. If the seating is unreserved, and you turn up late, you might be sat/stood at the back of the room.

## ACCESS

All the promoters and venues that put on events try and ensure that everyone is able to attend Festival events and have a comfortable time when they get there. We have produced a guide to visiting our venues for people with disabilities and this can be downloaded from our website or by contacting our main festival office. For 2023 we are also working to make sure everyone has a good time at the festival, including those who might have poor mental health. Details are included on the access guide. If you wish to speak to an individual venue about access requirements, you will find their contact details on pages 158-161.

## VOLUNTEERS

Are you interested in going behind the scenes and experiencing the festival in a different way? Join our team and help make 2023 truly marvellous! We have loads of opportunities for people to volunteer and gain valuable experience at one of the largest festivals of its kind in Europe. For more information email [volunteers@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk](mailto:volunteers@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk)

## DIRECTIONS

We've included basic maps (pages 158-161) which show the location of Festival venues. We have tried to include postcodes for as many venues as possible so you can search online or type it into your Sat Nav.

## COMMENTS

We work with over 250 promoters who take the responsibility for organising the individual events. We co-ordinate the programme and provide overall marketing and publicity. This means that we do pass on your praise, comments and criticism to the relevant promoter or organiser of the event. We are keen to know what you think of events, venues, marketing, workshops and everything that takes place as part of the festival. Our contact details can be found on page 162 so please do get in touch!



## WATCH OUT FOR:



### LEICESTER FRIDGE

One of our overall aims is to support new and emerging talent and one way we do this is via our partnership with Leicester Fridge. The Fridge is a loose collective of comedians based locally and they are back for another brilliant year. Please support them if you can.



### BEYOND A JOKE SEMINARS

Getting to the heart of today's issues, is our topical seminar series: Beyond a Joke. A series of talks, discussions and seminars aimed at people who want to delve a little deeper into issues linked to contemporary society and comedy. Full details in the listings.



### THE BIG WEEKEND

The BIG Weekends are a great way to experience a taste of the main festival in the county. We're delighted to be taking the BIG Weekends to the Harborough District this year, thanks to our friends at Harborough District Council and their partners. Keep an eye on our website for the latest information about shows which might be near you.



### THE UK KIDS' COMEDY FESTIVAL

This year The UK Kids' Comedy Festival celebrates its fifth birthday. Packed with shows and events aimed at children, young people and their families, there will be a mix of big names in kids comedy including Michael Rosen, Marcel Lucont, Louie Stowell, Wifi Wars, and Shelf, as well as special events such as Loving Laughing - where we will present

the award for the Funniest School in Leicestershire. For more information about The UK Kids' Comedy Festival visit our website

[www.ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://www.ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)



### LAUGH ACADEMY: HALF TERM COMEDY SCHOOL

We are bringing back our Half Term Comedy School which is an opportunity for young people to learn stand-up comedy and comedy performance skills. This year the school, which takes place over half term, will be hosted in partnership with Curve Theatre – full details are in the listings.



### FREE SHOWS

We have a host of free shows every day of the festival, as well as shows for as little as £5. Many free shows are ticketed so get your tickets (booking fees apply) in advance to guarantee entry. There are also a range of shows which are Pay What You Want (PWYW) where comedians will collect money at the end of their shows; please give generously!



## SPECIAL OFFERS

There will be various special offers promoted leading up to, and during, the festival. These are often available via [twitter](#) or [facebook](#) or sign up to our newsletter which is the best way to get the latest festival news. You can subscribe to the newsletter via our website [www.comedy-festival.co.uk](http://www.comedy-festival.co.uk).





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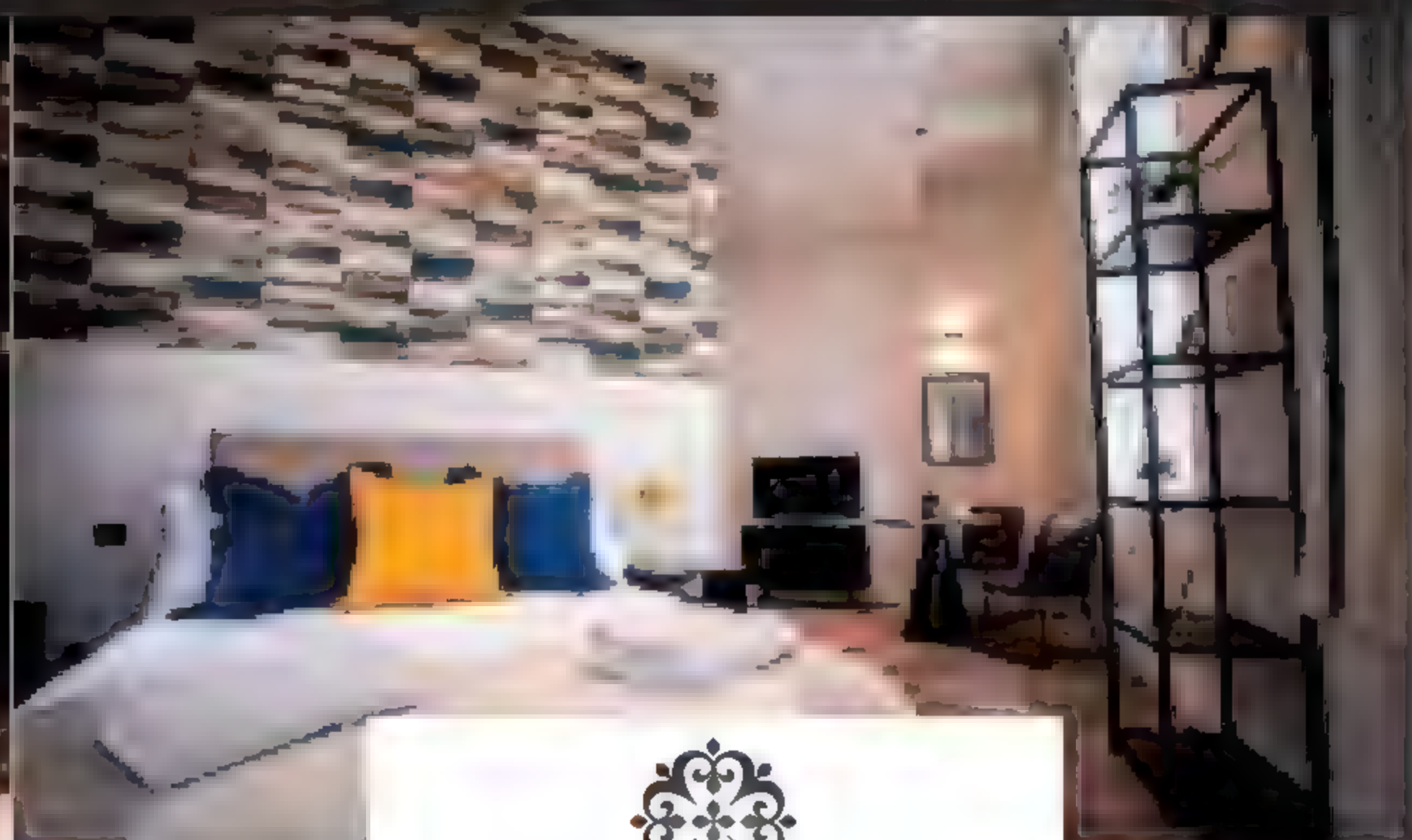
## Hotel Brooklyn Leicester

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My dear Gays, Gals, Jakes and all you Big Pipers! The team at Hotel Brooklyn Leicester are delighted to offer you a very special deal if you stay with us during the festival. We're a lovely, friendly, and very busy hotel, and our superb dining and bar area is the perfect place for presentations or live sets. The place really is the place to be at. Brooklyn's first-class and cosy Mini spaces are perfect for taking meetings, supporting international events and busy work and travel. Take a moment to stay in our city at just 20% time to make the world go by. Bookings are open to all. Whether you're a local, foreign, guest or just want to spend the night in Brooklyn.

It's time to take advantage of our most generous offer if you're here for Leicester Comedy Festival. Simply quote 'LCF' when you book direct with us. What's more you'll receive one of our famous Mini Hooch Bags once you seal the deal. See you soon! Call or email: [reservations@hotelbrooklynlei.co.uk](mailto:reservations@hotelbrooklynlei.co.uk)



  
**THE GRESHAM**  
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## The Gresham

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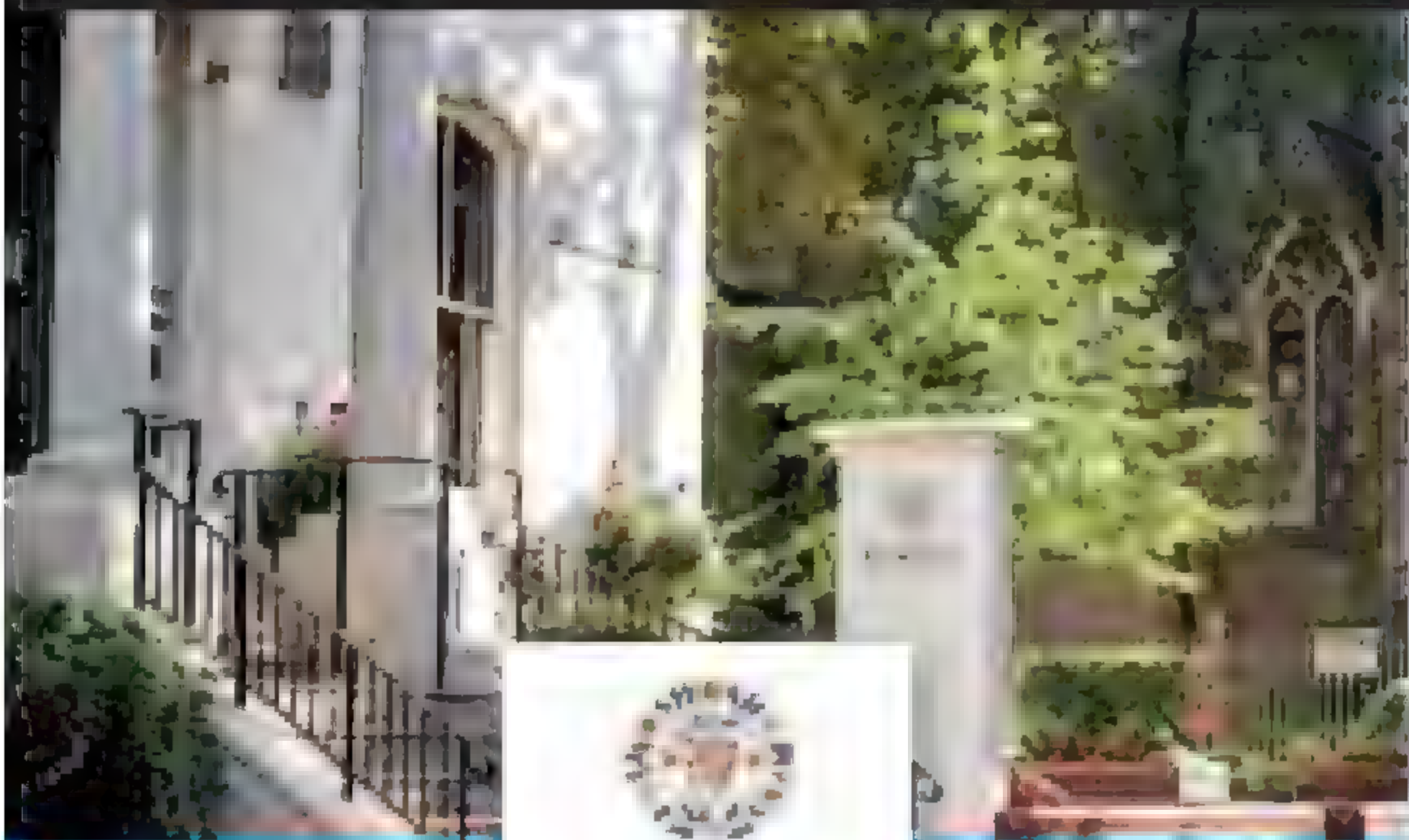
[www.thegreshamaparthotel.com](http://www.thegreshamaparthotel.com)

The Gresham Aparthotel provides luxury and flexible accommodation in the heart of Leicester. Our iconic building, which was once home to department store Fenwick, has been sympathetically renovated to incorporate stylish interiors and a home from home environment. During your stay, you will benefit from all of the facilities and services you would expect from a boutique hotel, whilst also enjoying the flexibility and comfort of apartment living.

Please call the aparthotel directly, or quote promo code **COMEDY** to receive 15% off the best available rate during the festival.



If you want to extend your stay at the festival, we've teamed up with 4 brilliant Leicester hotels who are our "official festival hotels". All are located close to the city centre so they are in easy walking distance of many of our central festival venues.



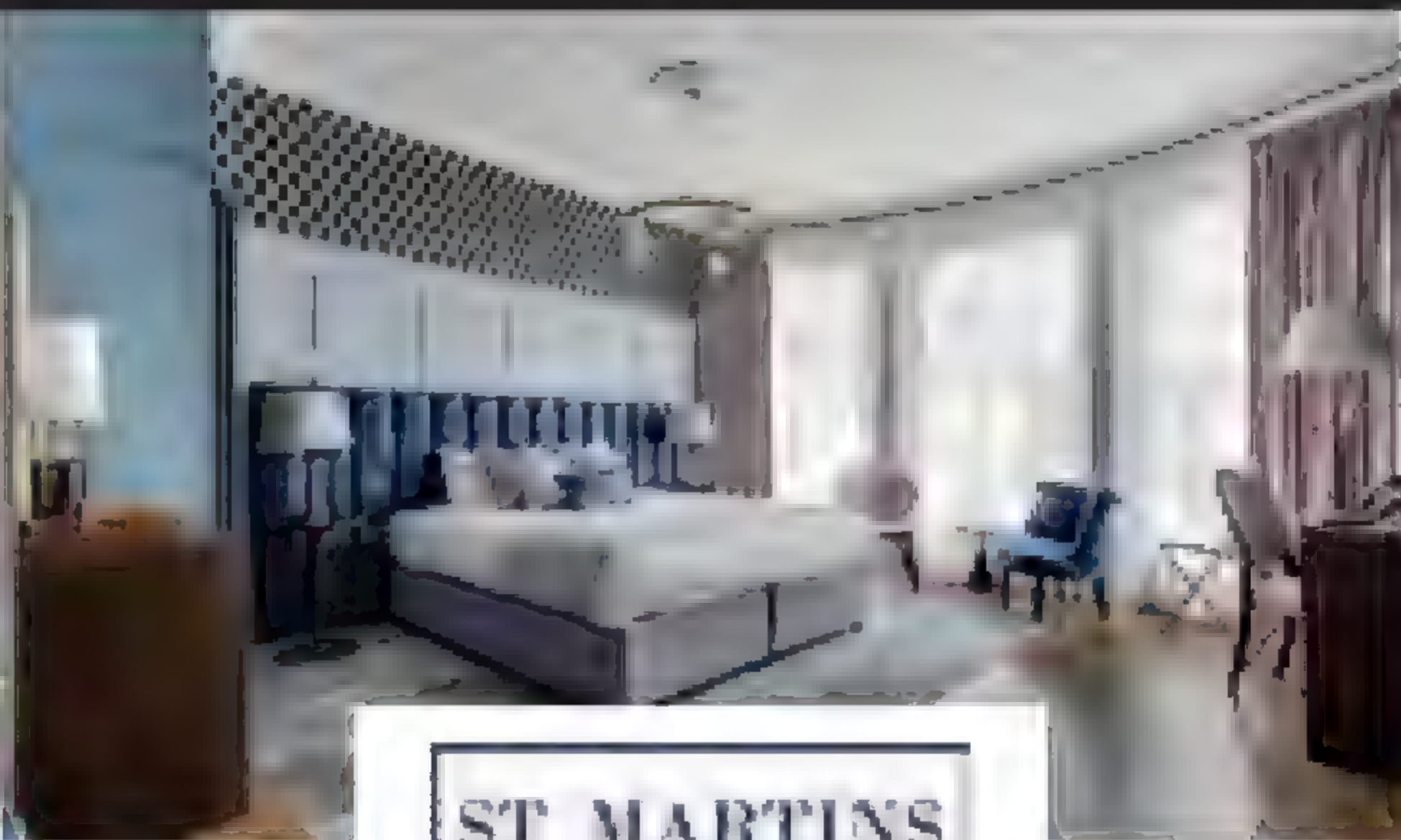
The Belmont Hotel

20 Osmond Street, Leicester, LE1 7ER | 0116 254 4773  
[www.belmont-hotel.co.uk](http://www.belmont-hotel.co.uk)

From Bed & Breakfast in the 1830s to a 4-star boutique business hotel in 2011, The Belmont has been the heartbeat of Leicester for the last 180 years. Now the hotel is part of Leicester's bright and bustling future, with fabulous new food and drink menus, individually designed bedrooms, bespoke business and wedding facilities and much, much more.

Situated in pretty New Walk, the hotel is just a few minutes' walk from the train station, festival venues and brilliant shopping and entertainment.

Please call the hotel directly to receive 10% off the best available rate during the festival.



St Martins Lodge

2 Peacock Lane, Leicester, LE1 5NR | 0116 261 5200  
[www.stmartinslodge.co.uk](http://www.stmartinslodge.co.uk)

Located in the heart of the historic Greyfriars and Cathedral Area, St Martins Lodge offers luxury room only accommodation for those looking to stay in the city for business or leisure.

Voted in the Top 5 Best Boutique Hotels in Leicester by Luxury Travel Diary, St Martins Lodge offers 28 luxury bedrooms, including a top floor junior suite.

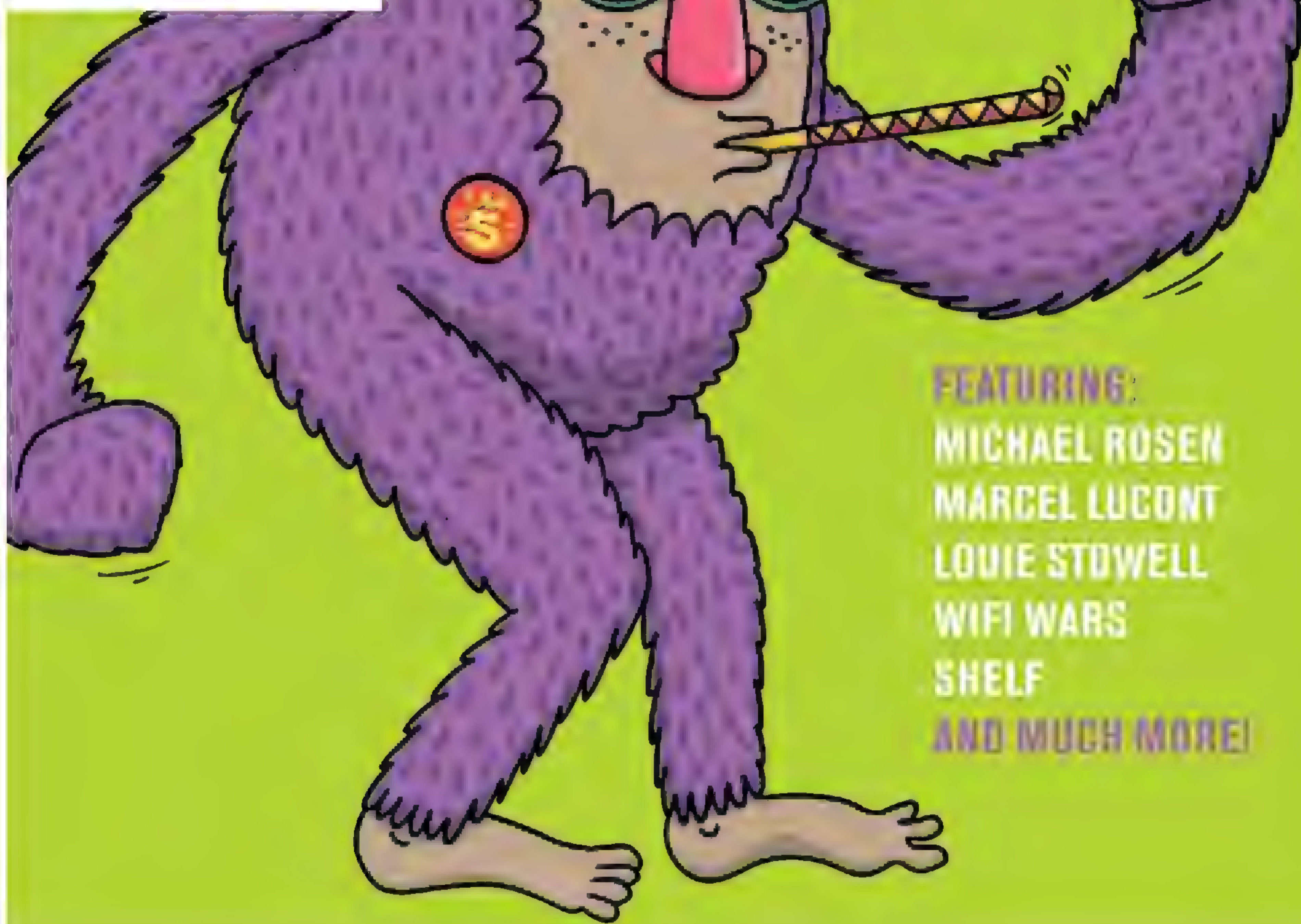
St Martins Lodge is a 2-minute walk from King Richard III Visitor Centre, the medieval Guildhall and the area boasts a fantastic choice of coffee shops, bars and restaurants.

Contact reservations on 0116 261 5200 or e-mail [info@stmartinslodge.co.uk](mailto:info@stmartinslodge.co.uk) and quote COMEDY to receive 10% of our rate of the day during the festival. On-site car parking included.





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MARCEL LUCONT  
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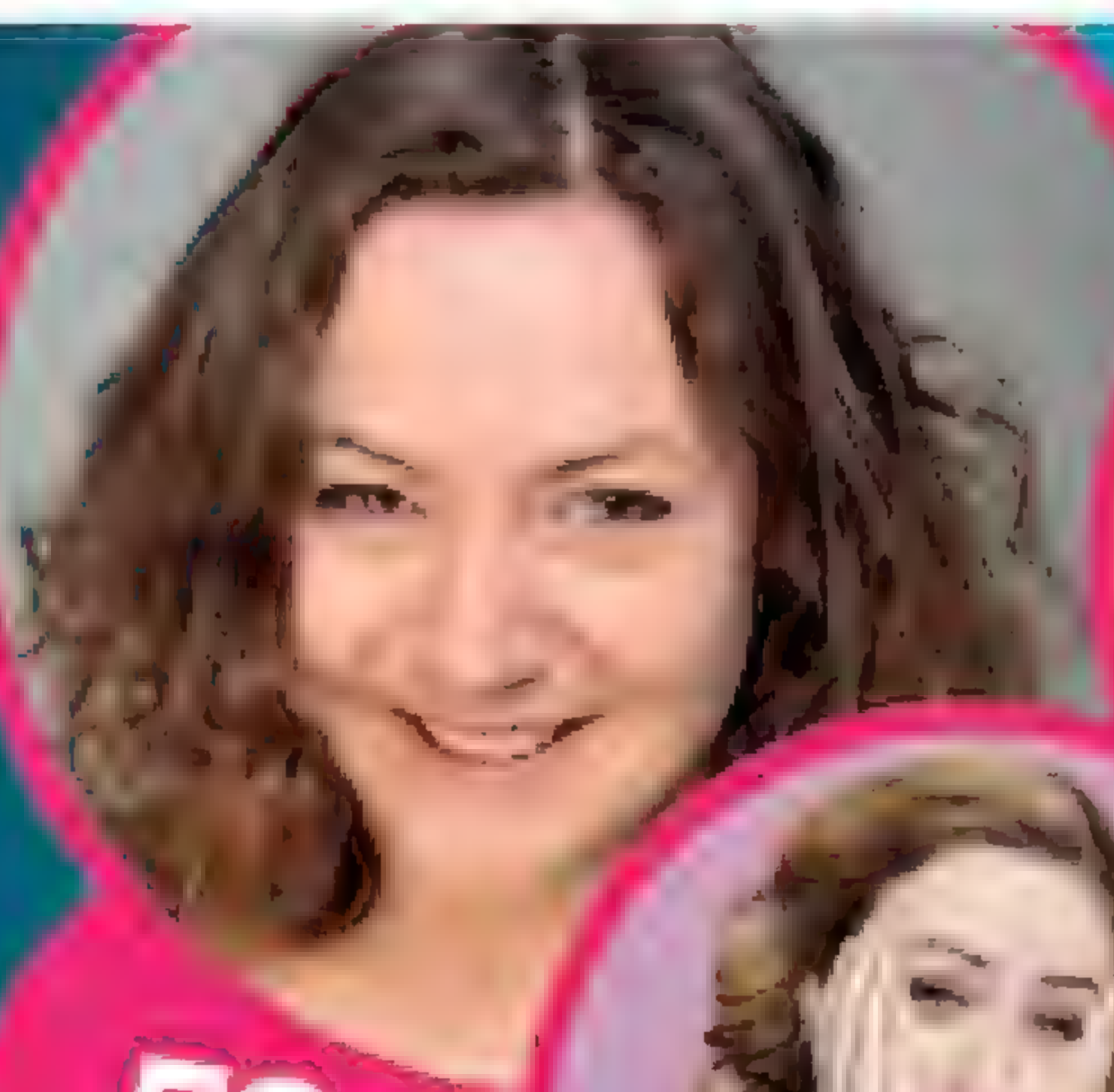




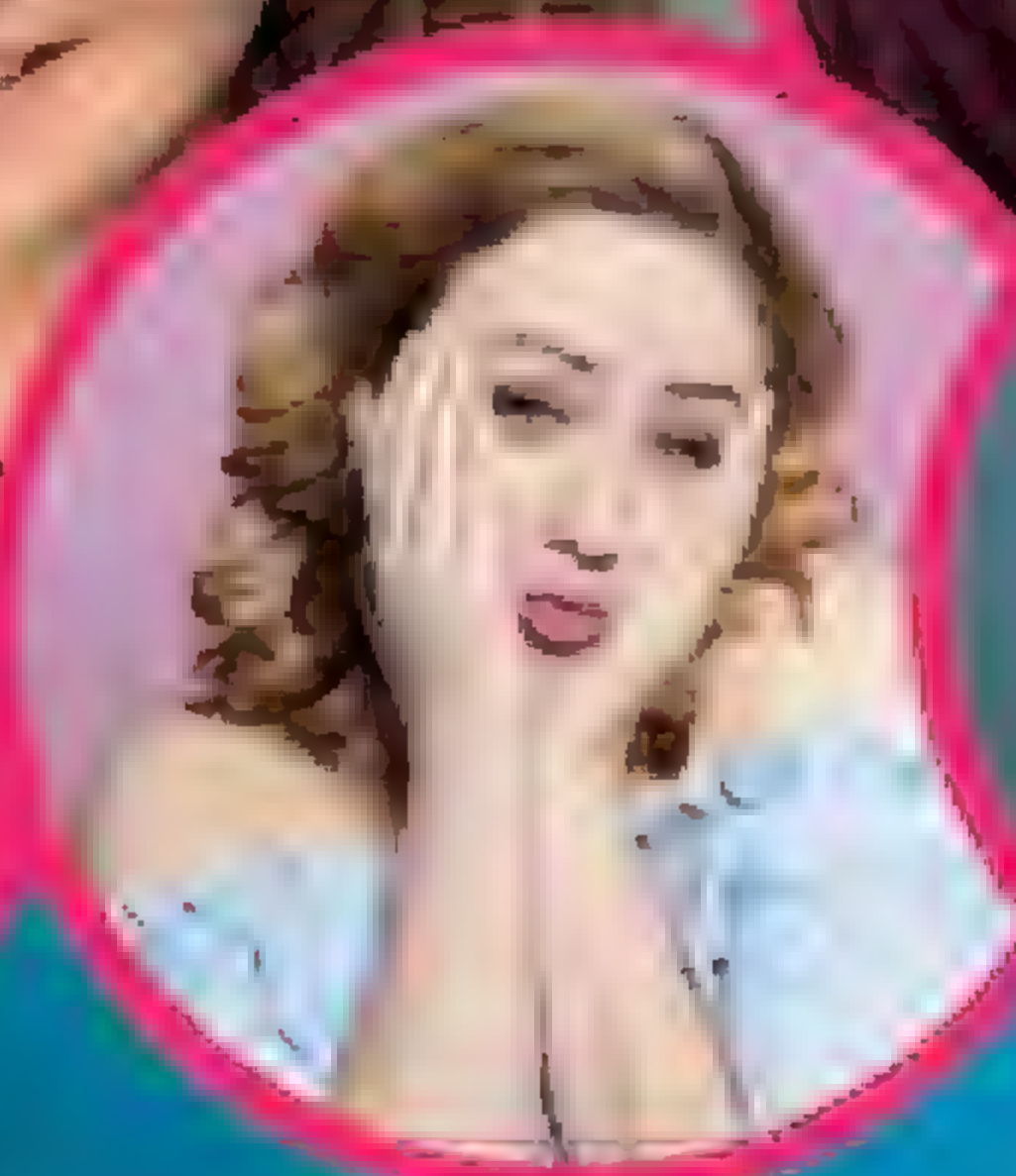
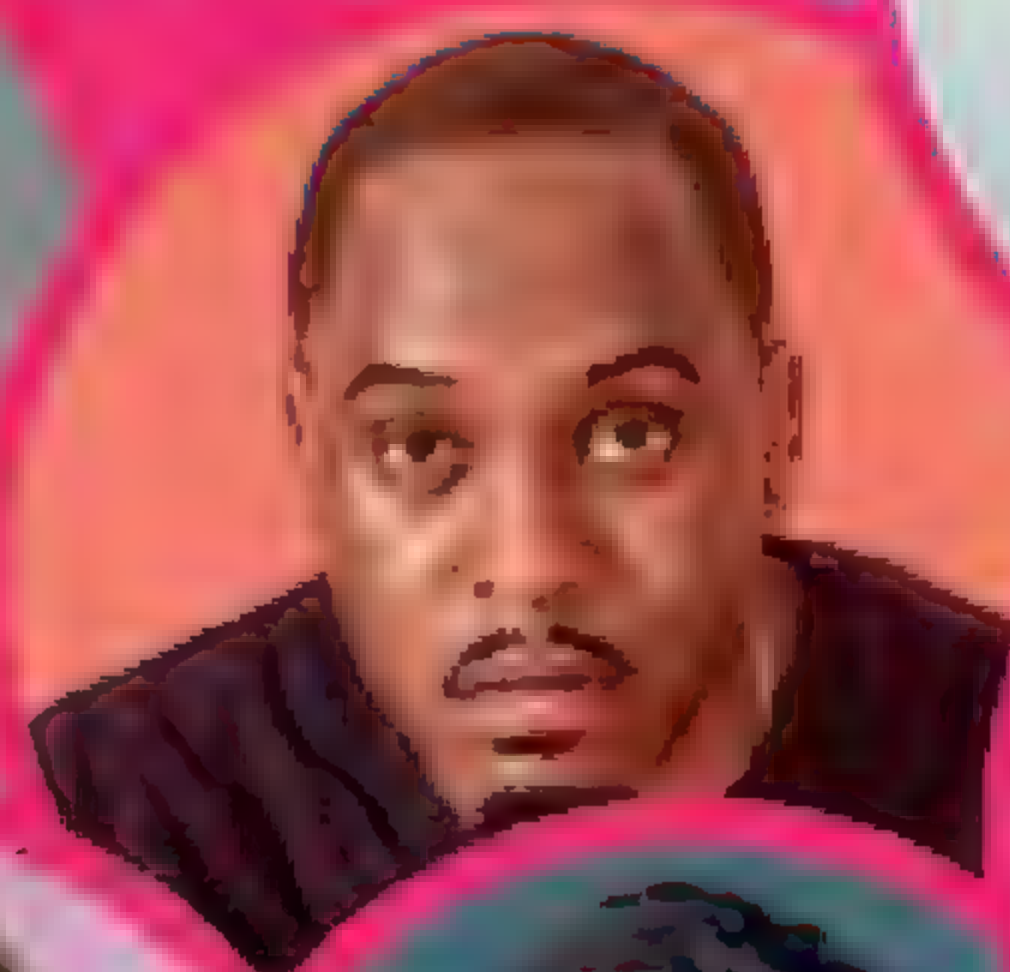
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50+  
shows!



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Jessica Fostekew • Eshaan Akbar

Dane Baptiste • Helen Bauer

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plus kids shows, game shows & much more!

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# DMU IS PROUD TO SUPPORT LEICESTER COMEDY FESTIVAL

More than 25 years after the festival was born on campus as a student project, DMU continues to champion it, giving a new generation of talent the spotlight.

Find out more about us at [dmu.ac.uk](https://dmu.ac.uk)



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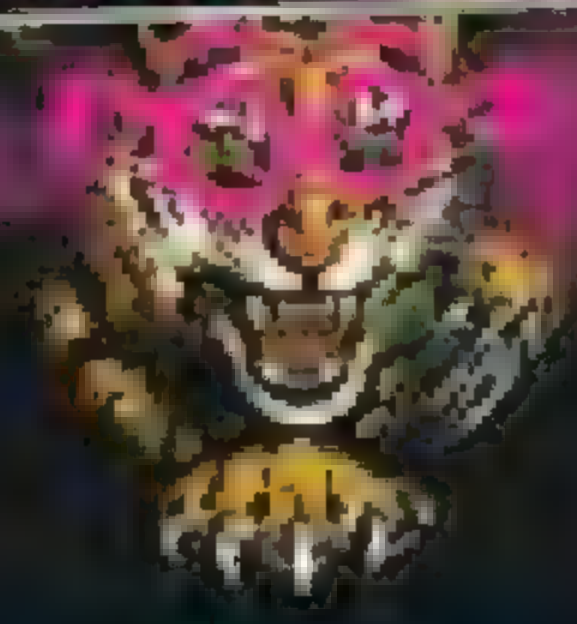
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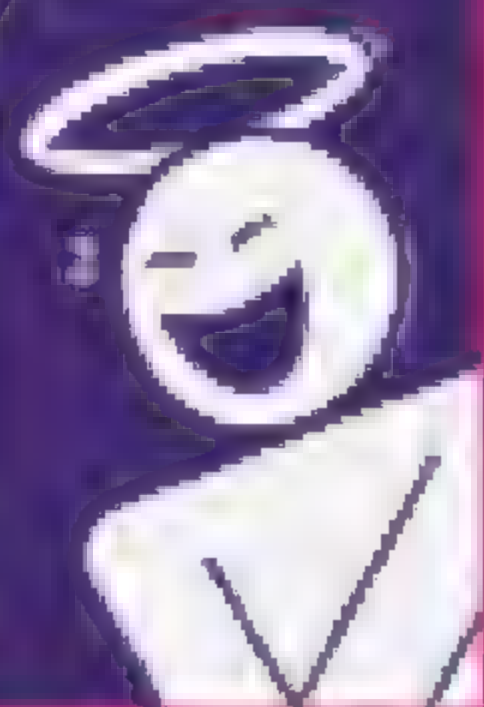
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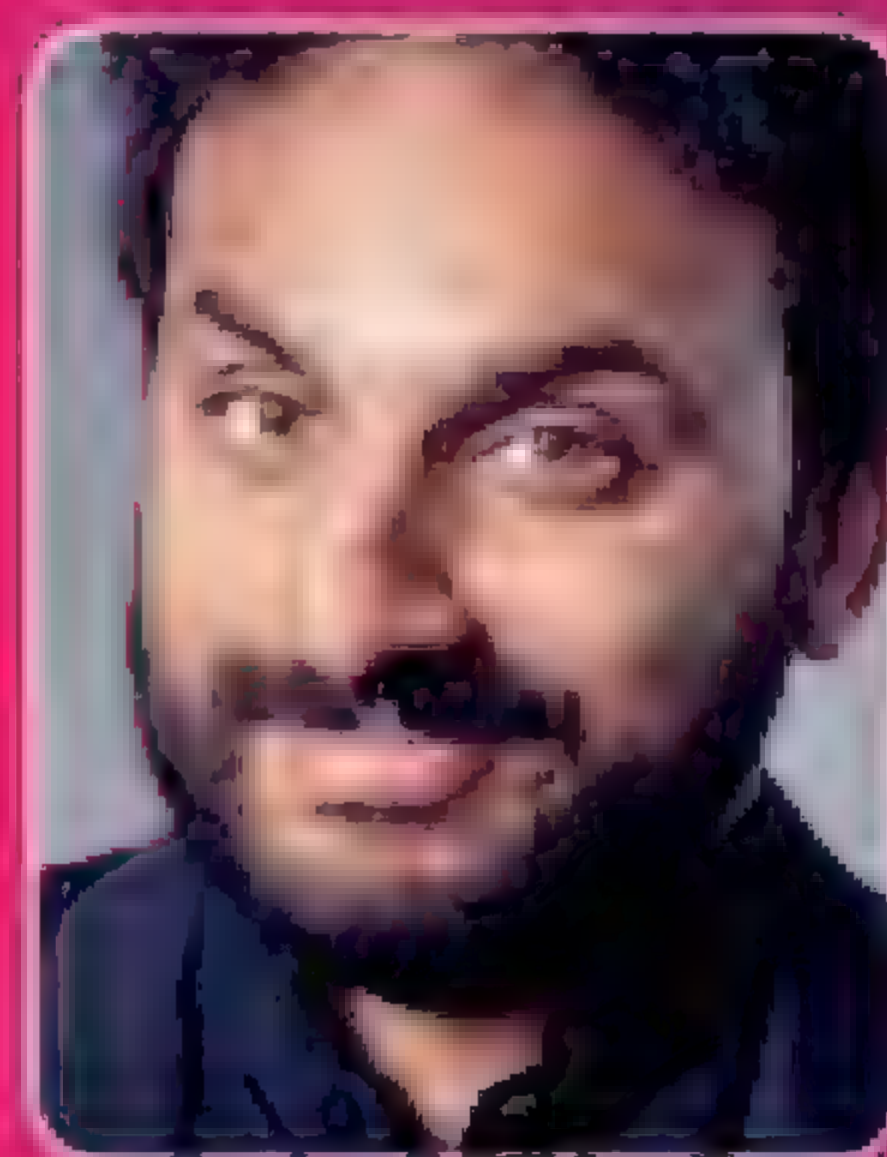


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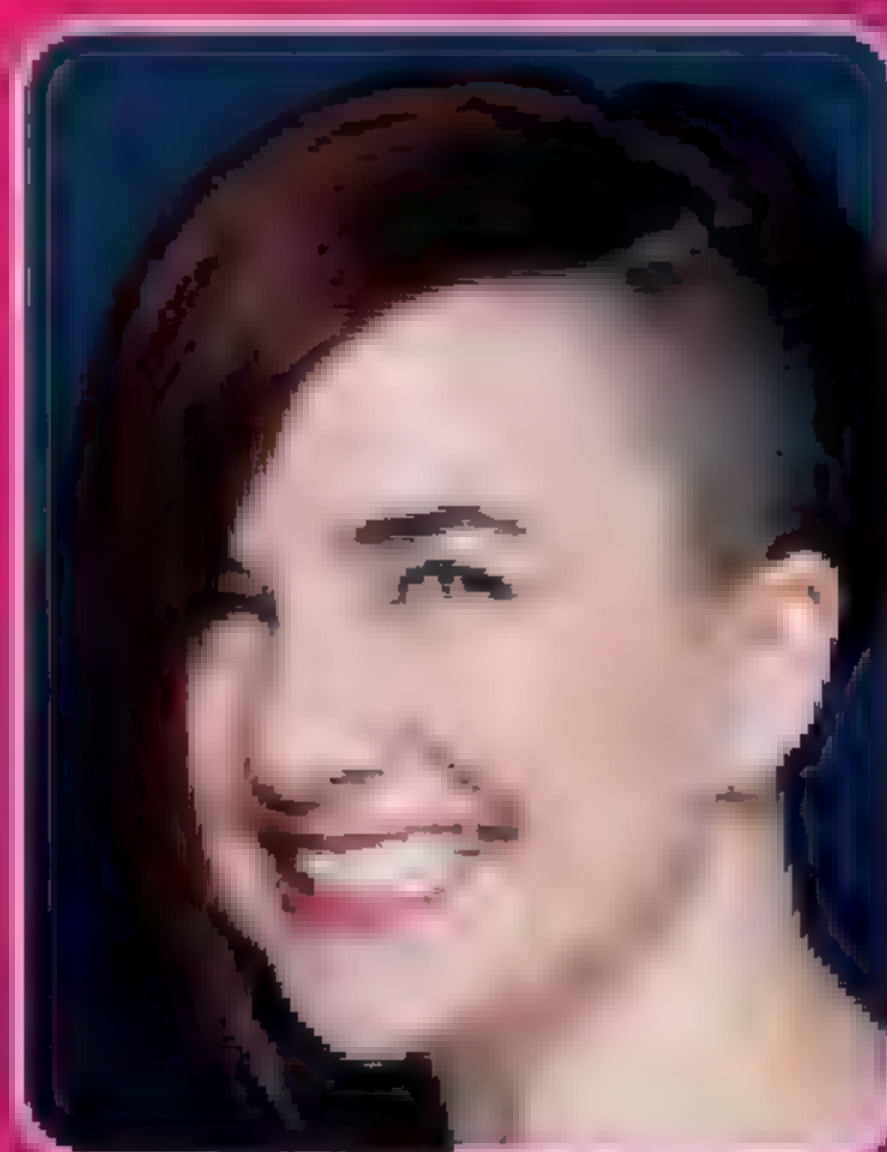
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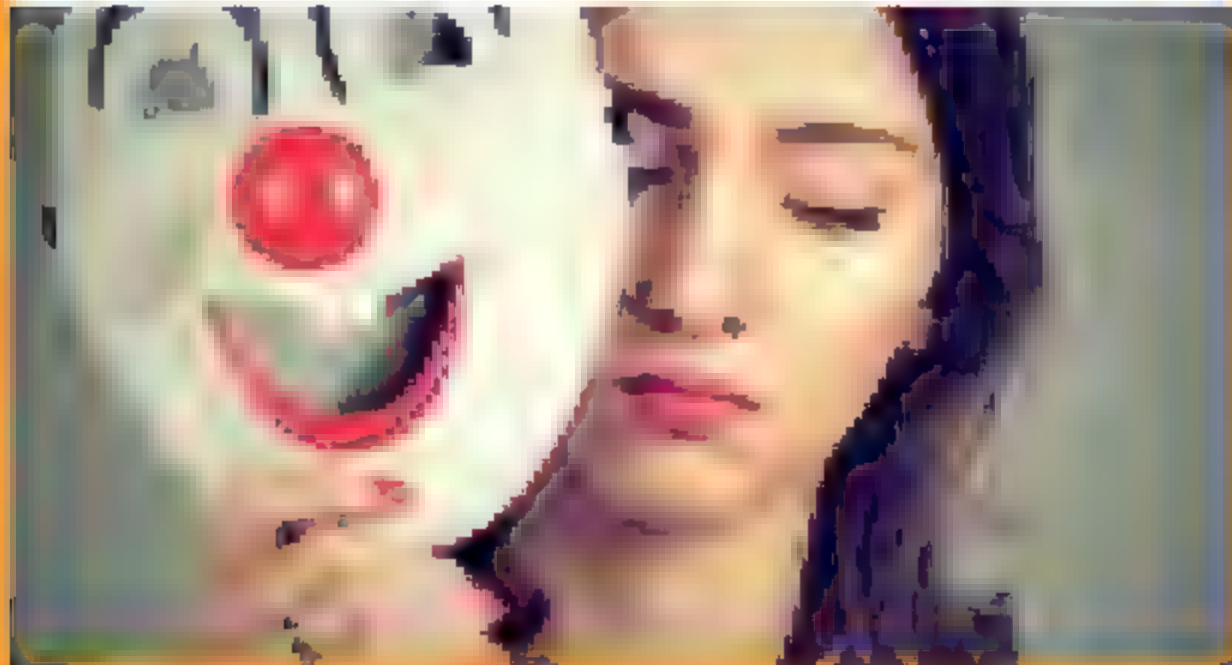


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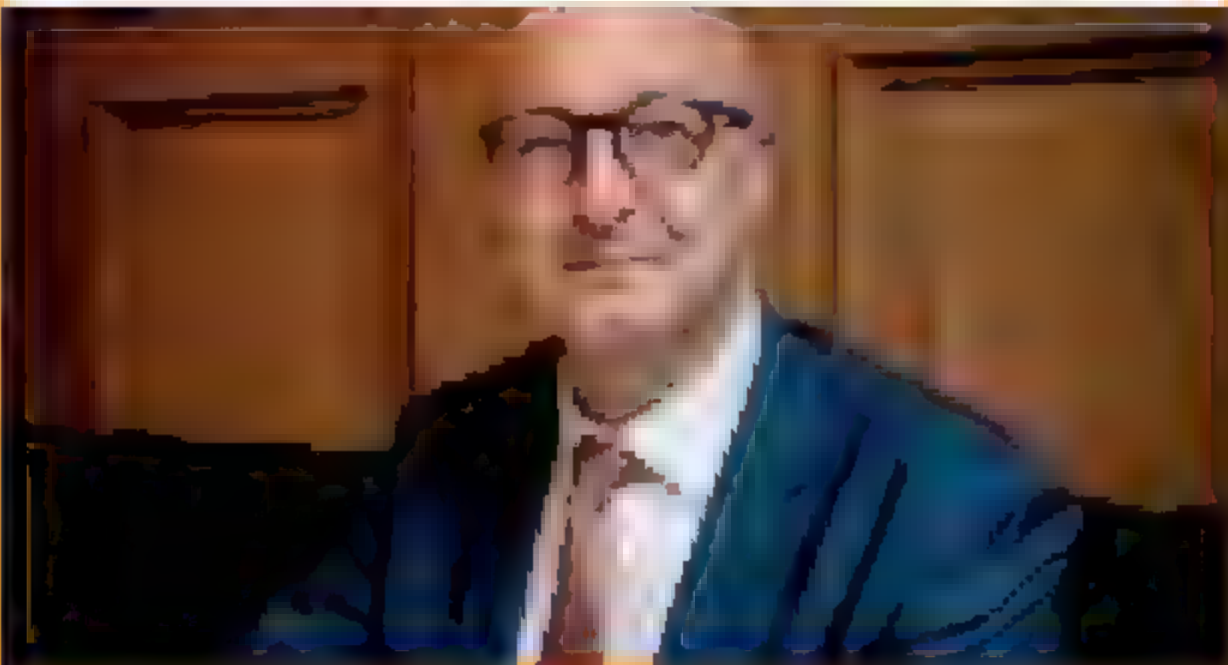


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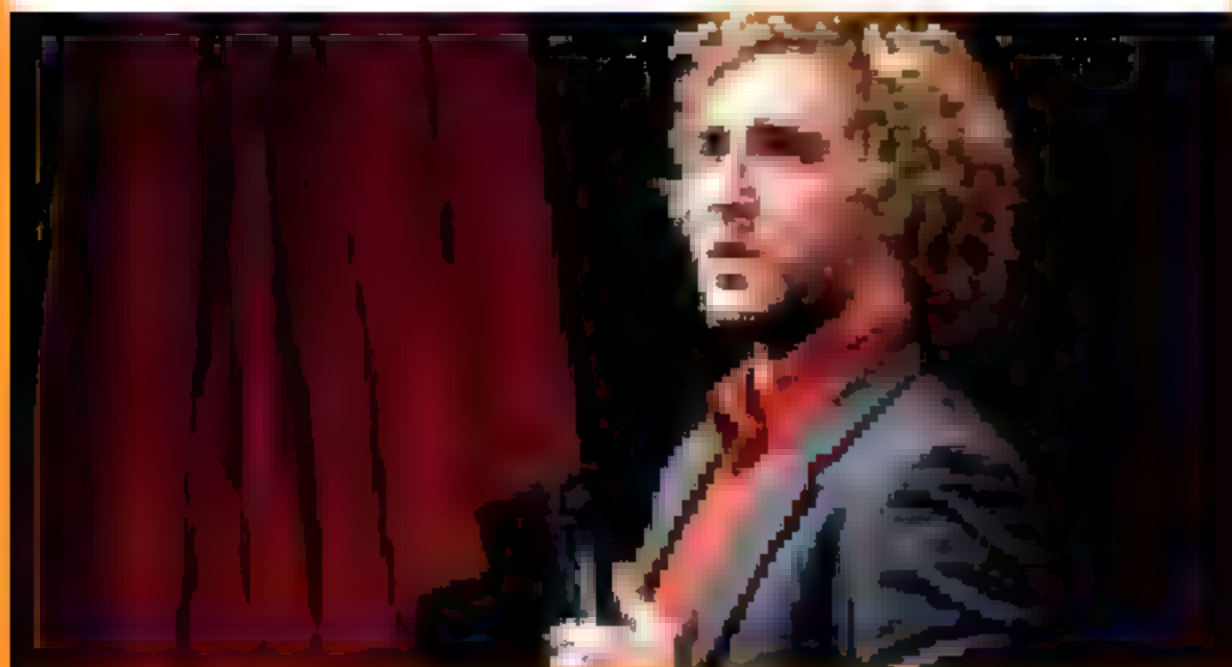


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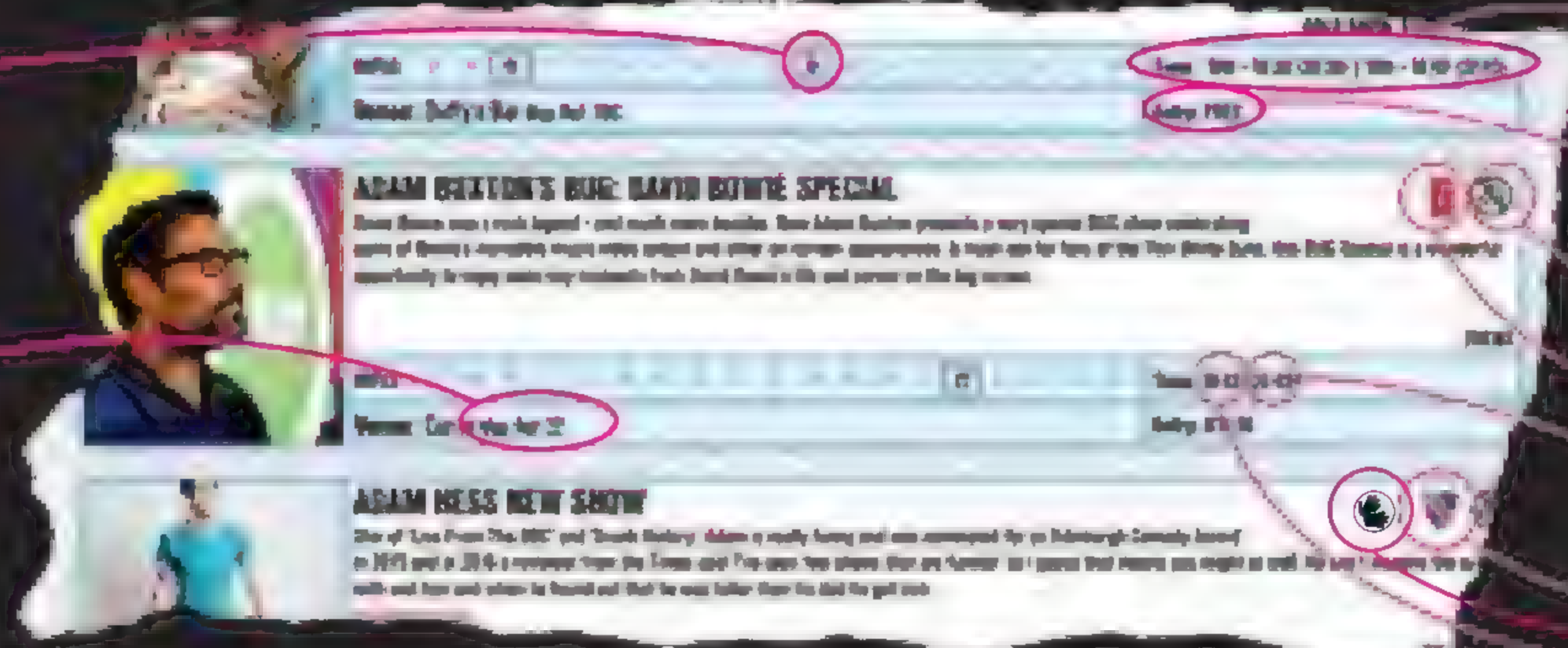
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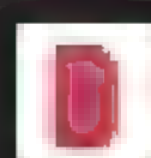
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20:00	22:00	Everards Tiger present Roar with Laughter @ the White Lion, Whissendine	The White Lion	73
20:00	21:00	Paddy Young: Laugh, You Rats!	45 West	112
20:30	21:30	The Pak & Spac Show	King Richard III	135
20:30	21:30	Al Grant's Fake Album Launch Party	Knight & Garter	49
20:30	22:30	The Same Faces: Improvised Comedy	Wygston's House	135
21:00	22:00	WWKD: What would Kimi Do?	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	143
21:00	22:00	Northern Soles	The Globe	110
21:00	22:00	Rob Kemp: You may be wondering why I have gathered you here (Work in Progress)	Manhattan 34	119
21:00	21:45	William Stone: Lofi Comedy to study/relax to	PETER Pizzeria	143
21:15	22:15	Adele Cliff does her best and tries new things out (in progress)	The Exchange Bar	48
21:30	22:30	Frank Foucault Sings the Songs of Frank Foucault	45 West	76
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141



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16:00	17:00	When I'm 64	The Globe	142
17:30	18:30	ACOMEDYTAPAS	Knight & Garter	47
17:45	18:30	Fatiha El-Ghorri: Work In Progress	Duffy's Bar	74
18:00	20:15	Leicester's Favourite Comedy Film - 3rd Place	Phoenix	100
18:00	19:00	SAJEELA KERSHI: WHAT HAPPENED TO FREE SPEECH & RAH-RAH SKIRTS? (WIP)	Grays@LCB Depot	120
18:00	18:45	Calum Macleod: Work in Progress	The Globe	60
18:00	19:00	Cultural Comedy Tours	Attenborough Arts Centre	66
18:00	19:00	Thank God It's Friday! The Early Show	BrewDog	129
18:30	19:30	An Audient with Robin Grainger	The Big Difference	53
19:00	20:00	Chloe Petts: Transience	Firebug	62
19:00	20:00	Jacob Hawley: Bump	Duffy's Bar	86
19:00	20:00	Ben Goldsmith: The Last Job	Knight & Garter	56
19:00	20:00	High friends low places	King Richard III	82
19:00	20:00	Jarred Christmas: Silly Billy	PETER Pizzeria	87
19:00	20:00	Helen Duff: Lullabies	Attenborough Arts Centre	82
19:00	20:00	Slightly Awkward & Nice Try	Kayal	124
19:30	20:30	Mediocre Gay	The Globe	107
19:30	20:20	Not the Tim Vine show	Grays@LCB Depot	110
19:30	20:30	IT'S A TRAP! The Improvised Star Wars Show	Sue Townsend Theatre	85
19:30	20:30	Your Flaws: The Musical	BrewDog	144
19:30	21:10	Underdogs	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	140
19:30	20:30	Improversity Challenge	200 Degrees Coffee Shop	84
19:45	20:45	Juliette Burton: No Brainer (WIP)	Grays@LCB Depot	93
19:45	20:45	The Edi Johnston Bit : It's Not You-kulele, it's Me!	Manhattan 34	132
20:00	21:40	Hal Cruttenden: It's Best You Hear It From me	The Y Theatre	80
20:00	22:00	Stewart Lee	De Montfort Hall	127
20:00	21:00	Hannah Platt: Work in Progress	45 West	80
20:00	22:00	Laughter Loft	Black Horse	98
20:00	22:30	7 Acts for £7	Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall	44
20:00	22:00	Everards Tiger present Roar with Laughter @ the Rose and Crown, Thurnby	The Rose and Crown	73
20:00	22:30	Victoria Bikers Pub Comedy Night	Victoria Bikers Pub	140
20:30	21:30	Aaargh It's the One Liner Show	King Richard III	45
20:30	21:30	Jules O'Brian: Avoid Excessive Cleavage (and other advice to ignore)	Kayal	93
20:30	21:30	Katie Davison: How are you? With Gracie Canoux	Knight & Garter	94
20:30	21:30	Eleanor Tiernan: Away With The Fairies	Duffy's Bar	71
20:30	21:30	Colin Hoult: The Death of Anna Mann	Firebug	63
20:30	23:00	Syston's Comedy Night	The Grosvenor Snooker Club	128
20:30	21:30	Andrew Ryan: Yes, I Just Said That	PETER Pizzeria	53
21:00	22:00	The Limp and The Gimp	Grays@LCB Depot	134
21:00	22:00	Kate Dale: Up to Scratch	The Globe	94
21:15	22:15	Sachin Kumarendran: The Slightly Dark Knight Criticises	Grays@LCB Depot	120
21:15	22:15	Chelsea Birkby: No More Mr Nice Chelsea	Manhattan 34	61
21:30	22:30	Si Deaves: Si-Clops	45 West	123
21:30	23:30	Thank God It's Friday! The Late Show	The Big Difference	130
22:00	23:00	WWKD: What would Kimi Do?	Knight & Garter	143
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
22:00	23:00	The Daemonic Carboot Sale	Kayal	131
22:00	23:00	Conversation Garden: 10 Year Anniversary Show	Duffy's Bar	66
22:30	23:30	Prison Biscuit	Manhattan 34	115
23:59	00:59	Naked Comedy	Manhattan 34	109
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12:00	13:00	A Political Breakfast.	Knight & Garter	44



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13:00	14:00	Afternoon Jokes On Us	Manhattan 34	48
13:00	14:00	Stuart Laws? Is That Guy Still Going?	Firebug	127
14:00	15:00	The future of the Live Comedy Association	Attenborough Arts Centre	133
14:00	15:00	Kuan-wen: Ilha Formosa (Work In Progress)	The Big Difference	96
14:30	15:30	A Silly Hour of FUN	Manhattan 34	45
14:30	15:30	Any Suggestions, Doctor? The Improvised Doctor Who Parody	Attenborough Arts Centre	54
14:30	15:30	Billy McGuire Ain't always honest	King Richard III	58
14:30	15:30	Ahir Shah: Work In Progress	Firebug	48
15:00	16:00	Alex Leam: Improv Provocateur	Knight & Garter	50
15:00	16:00	Foxdog Studios: Tank of Water (WIP)	Phoenix	75
15:00	16:00	Marcel Lucont: Les Enfants Terribles - A Gameshow For Awful Children	BrewDog	104
15:30	17:00	Afternoon Delight - Just the Tonic's Family Stand Up Show	Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall	48
15:30	16:30	Short & Curly: kids in your pants	The Big Difference	123
15:45	16:45	Rahul Somia: Tuesday Date (Work in Progress)	Grays@LCB Depot	116
16:00	17:00	Freddie Farrell: Your drunk aunties favourite comedian	King Richard III	76
16:00	17:00	The future of the Edinburgh Fringe Festival	Attenborough Arts Centre	132
16:00	17:00	When I'm 64	The Globe	142
16:00	17:00	DAMAN BAMRAH + 1 (WIP)	PETER Pizzeria	67
16:00	17:00	Mary Flanigan Begins Again	Manhattan 34	105
16:00	17:00	Colin Hoult: Work In Progress	Firebug	63
16:20	17:20	Sarah Johnson: Crafternoon Chat with Carol	Grays@LCB Depot	121
16:30	17:30	Bring Your Own Dog Comedy	BrewDog	59
17:00	18:00	Pauly F Taylor: Head In The Clouds	The Big Difference	112
17:00	18:00	Simon Munnery: Fylm School	Phoenix	124
17:15	18:15	Zahra Barri: Talk Like An Egyptian	Grays@LCB Depot	144
17:30	18:30	Sophie Duker: Hag	Firebug	125
17:30	18:30	Tarot, Nice to Meet You	PETER Pizzeria	129
17:30	18:30	ACOMEDYTAPAS	Knight & Garter	47
17:30	18:30	Philipp Kostecky: Are You Done Goofing?	Kayal	114
17:30	18:30	Darren Walsh: Work in Progress 2023	King Richard III	68
17:30	18:30	Chris Kehoe: Law - huh - what is it good for?	Manhattan 34	62
17:30	22:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
17:50	18:50	Alf: The Best/Worst One-Liner Comedian Ever	Grays@LCB Depot	51
18:00	19:00	Richard Wright: The Nicest Man In Comedy	The Globe	118
18:00	19:00	Karen Bayley: Bayley's Comic (Work in Progress)	Black Horse	94
18:00	19:00	Bad Clowns: INVASION	BrewDog	55
18:30	19:25	Alexis Dubus: 3-Star Show (WIP)	The Big Difference	51
19:00	20:00	Tom Lawrinson: Hubba Hubba	The Guildhall	138
19:00	20:00	Drag Queens vs. Zombies	Attenborough Arts Centre	70
19:00	20:00	An Asian Occasion	Knight & Garter	52
19:00	20:00	Kieran Lawless: Resolution	Kayal	96
19:00	20:00	Mad Ron's Character Comedy Showcase	King Richard III	103
19:00	20:00	Olga Koch: Please Respond (WIP)	Manhattan 34	111
19:00	20:30	Red Light Comedy Club	Town Hall Bike Park	117
19:00	20:00	Bilal Zafar: New Show TBF	PETER Pizzeria	58
19:20	20:20	Wrestling with The Champ: Smiledriver	Grays@LCB Depot	143
19:30	20:30	Tiny Stories	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	137
19:30	20:30	CSI: Crime Scene Improvisation	BrewDog	66
19:30	20:30	Kate Dale: Up to Scratch	The Globe	94
19:30	20:30	Heidi Regan: Work In Progress	Duffy's Bar	81
19:45	20:45	Dave Bibby: Baby Dinosaur	Grays@LCB Depot	69
20:00	21:30	Fesshole: Live	The Y Theatre	74
20:00	21:00	Sex, Lies & Improvisation	The Big Difference	122
20:00	22:00	Laughter Loft	Black Horse	98
20:00	22:00	Just The Tonic's Saturday Night Special	Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall	93
20:00	22:00	Everards Tiger present Roar with Laughter @ the Birch Tree, Coalville	Birch Tree	72
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20:30	21:30	Maxine Wade: The Nearlywed (Work in Progress)	Kayal	106
20:30	21:30	2 Slut Drops and a Chicken Burger	King Richard III	43
20:30	21:30	Mamoun Elagab: Work in Progress	Manhattan 34	104
20:30	21:30	Simon Munnery: Trials and Tribulations	Firebug	124
20:50	21:50	Katie Davison: How are you? With Gracie Canoux	Grays@LCB Depot	94
21:00	22:00	Mediocre Gay	The Globe	107
21:00	22:00	Bethany Black: Always Bet On Beth	Duffy's Bar	57
21:00	22:00	Jarred & Hobbit: The Big Beatbox Comedy Mess Around Gameshow Show!	BrewDog	87
21:00	22:00	Kierann Shah's One Offs	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	96
21:15	22:15	Aaron Simmonds: Baby Steps (WIP)	Grays@LCB Depot	46
21:30	22:30	Best In Class	The Big Difference	57
21:45	23:00	John's 30th Birthday Showcase	Kayal	90
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
22:00	23:00	Foolish Manoeuvres	Knight & Garter	75
22:00	23:00	Joe Sutherland: I'm Doing My Best	Manhattan 34	89
22:00	23:30	The Late Night Comedy Club	PETER Pizzeria	133
23:30	00:30	Late Night Jokes On Us	Manhattan 34	97
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141

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All Day	60 mins	The Completely Made-up History of Leicester	Joe Orton Square	131
12:00	13:00	A Political Breakfast	Knight & Garter	44
13:00	15:45	Joke Spot @ Belgrave Library	Belgrave Library	90
14:00	15:00	Beyond A Joke: Who Cares?	Attenborough Arts Centre	57
14:00	15:00	Thom Bee: Psychocinematic	Kayal	137
14:00	15:00	Clowntographer	Attenborough Arts Centre	63
14:00	15:00	Shelf: The Kids' Show	The Big Difference	123
14:30	15:30	Wifi Wars: Matinee	Firebug	142
14:30	15:30	Siân Docksey: Meatshapes with Feelings	Duffy's Bar	124
15:00	16:00	Tri-Anglia	The Exchange Bar	139
15:00	16:00	ACOMEDYTAPAS	Knight & Garter	47
15:30	16:30	Balthazar Dark: Wrestling with Saddos	Kayal	55
15:30	16:30	Liz Cotton: Last Stand on Honey Hill	The Big Difference	101
16:00	17:00	Hayley Ellis: Things that make you go, mm yeah that needs work	Firebug	81
16:00	17:00	Making films about comedy - a discussion with Joe Bor	Attenborough Arts Centre	104
16:00	17:00	Ania Magliano: Work In Progress	Duffy's Bar	54
16:00	17:00	Omar Ibrahim: Decolonise This	PETER Pizzeria	111
16:30	17:30	Martin Westgate: Apparently	The Exchange Bar	105
17:00	18:00	Kevin Precious: The Reluctant Teacher (Work in Progress)	Kayal	96
17:00	17:50	Ed Patrick: Catch Your Breath (Work in Progress)	The Big Difference	71
17:30	18:30	It Just So Happened	Wygston's House	85
17:30	18:30	Amy Annette: Keeping It Tight (WIP)	Duffy's Bar	52
17:30	18:30	Sian Davies: This Charming Man (WIP)	PETER Pizzeria	123
17:30	18:30	The Oldest Comedy Club in Britain	Attenborough Arts Centre	134
17:30	22:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
17:30	18:30	Luke Kempner: Work In Progress	Firebug	102
18:00	19:00	Dave Chawner: Freelosophy	The Exchange Bar	69
18:00	19:00	Bad Clowns: INVASION	BrewDog	55
18:00	19:00	Pete Selwood: Uninspiring	Black Horse	113
18:30	19:30	UK Pun Off	Kayal	139
18:30	19:30	Tom Houghton: Absolute Shambles	The Big Difference	138
19:00	20:00	Tessa Coates: Get Your Tessa Coates You've Pulled	Duffy's Bar	129
19:00	20:00	Diverging on the Ridiculous	King Richard III	69
19:00	20:00	Omar&Lee are EVERYMAN	PETER Pizzeria	111
19:00	20:30	FoxyComedy Club Night	Wygston's House	75
19:00	20:00	Wifi Wars	Firebug	142
19:30	21:10	Fern Brady: Autistic Bikini Queen	The Y Theatre	74
19:30	20:30	Alfie Moore: Fair Cop Unleashed	Black Horse	51



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19:30	20:30	Josh Pugh: Haha Yeah, Sound (Work in Progress)	The Exchange Bar	92
20:00	21:00	Iain MacDonald: Pundemic	Kayal	83
20:30	21:30	Ishi Khan: Love, Desires Strawberries	King Richard III	84
20:30	21:30	Lindsey Santoro: Stinky Potato (Work In Progress)	PETER Pizzeria	101
20:30	21:30	Mitch Benn: It's About Time	Firebug	108
20:30	21:30	Laura Smyth: Work In Progress	Duffy's Bar	99
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141

MONDAY FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup> 2023

All Day	60 mins	The Completely Made-up History of Leicester	Joe Orton Square	131
8:30	20:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
19:00	20:30	Happy Monday Comedy Club	The Basement (Loughborough Students Union)	80
19:30	22:00	The UK Pun Championships	De Montfort Hall	136
19:45	20:45	Jokes on Us: New Act Showcase	The Exchange Bar	91
20:00	22:00	Laughter Loft	Black Horse	98
21:15	22:05	Ricky Balshaw: Dark Horse (WIP)	The Exchange Bar	118
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> 2023

All Day	60 mins	The Completely Made-up History of Leicester	Joe Orton Square	131
8:30	20:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
18:00	19:00	The Long and the Short of It	The Globe	134
19:30	21:30	Egan's Comedy Club - Compilation Show	Egan's Comedy Club at Sommar Leicester	71
19:30	20:30	Daniel Foxx: Villain (Work in Progress)	PETER Pizzeria	67
19:30	20:30	Rahul Somia: Tuesday Date (Work in Progress)	Manhattan 34	116
19:30	21:30	The Bite (Love Bites) - 2 Hour Mixed Standup, Valentine's Special	Grays@LCB Depot	131
19:30	20:30	Rachel Creeger: Pray It Forward	The Globe	116
19:45	20:45	Stephanie Laing: Chicken	The Exchange Bar	126
20:00	21:00	Comedy Couples Party	King Richard III	64
21:00	22:00	Richard Pulsford: Short joke teller	Manhattan 34	118
21:00	21:45	F*** January: The Hopeless Hustle	The Globe	73
21:15	22:15	Catherine Young: Joy Bringer	The Exchange Bar	60
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> 2023

All Day	60 mins	The Completely Made-up History of Leicester	Joe Orton Square	131
8:30	20:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
18:00	19:00	The Long and the Short of It	The Globe	134
18:00	19:00	Louise Young: Far Out (Work in Progress)	PETER Pizzeria	102
19:00	20:00	Jeremy Kyle Doesn't Care	King Richard III	88
19:00	20:00	Kevin Hudson - Loyalty Card 3: Rise of the Accountants	Duffy's Bar	95
19:30	21:30	Egan's Comedy Club - Compilation Show	Egan's Comedy Club at Sommar Leicester	71
19:30	20:30	Ian Smith: Talking and Shouting	PETER Pizzeria	83
19:30	20:30	Dick Denham: Big Dick Energy	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	69
19:30	20:30	Rahul Somia and Friends	Manhattan 34	116
19:30	20:45	Jenan Younis: A Conflict of Disinterest	The Globe	88
19:30	21:30	Harry Baker: Unashamed 2.0	Firebug	80
19:45	21:45	Basement Craics	The Exchange Bar	56
20:00	21:00	Chelsea Birkby: Silly Sausage (Pain) Work in Progress	45 West	62
20:00	22:00	Everards Tiger present Roar with Laughter @ the Heathcote Arms, Croft	The Heathcote Arms	73
20:30	21:30	Comedy Karaoke	King Richard III	65
20:30	22:00	FoxyComedy Club Night	Wygston's House	75
20:30	21:30	Jack Campbell: The Big Fat C	Duffy's Bar	86
21:00	21:45	F*** January: The Hopeless Hustle	The Globe	73
21:00	22:00	EBae: Ruby Carr (WIP)	Manhattan 34	71
21:00	22:30	The Magic Mic	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	134
21:30	22:30	Tal Davies & Hannah Weetman: Fear and Self-Loathing in Las Iguanas	45 West	128



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22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141

### THURSDAY FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup> 2023

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8:30	20:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
15:00	17:30	Comedy Comes to Clarence House - A Crafternoon with Carol & friends	Clarence House	64
17:30	18:30	Harvey Greenfield is Running Late	Wygston's House	81
18:00	19:00	John Meagher: Calm	PETER Pizzeria	89
18:00	19:00	The Long and the Short of It	The Globe	134
18:00	22:30	A Bellyful of Laughs in aid of Charity Link	St Martin's Coffee Shop	44
18:30	19:30	Vittorio Angelone - Translations	The Big Difference	141
19:00	20:00	Roger Swift's Machine Pun Reloaded	King Richard III	119
19:00	20:00	Coppen Through Life	Knight & Garter	66
19:00	20:00	Paul Richards: My Function Band Hell	Wygston's House	112
19:00	20:00	Josh Weller: Age Against The Machine (WIP)	Duffy's Bar	92
19:30	21:30	Egan's Comedy Club - Compilation Show	Egan's Comedy Club at Sommar Leicester	71
19:30	20:15	Liz Guterbock: Geriatric Millennial (WIP)	The Globe	101
19:30	20:30	BAME Of My Existence	La Maison	55
19:30	20:30	Dick Denham: Big Dick Energy	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	69
19:30	20:30	Lulu Popplewell: Work in Progress	PETER Pizzeria	103
19:30	20:30	Alison Spittle: WET	Black Horse	52
19:30	22:00	The Big Difference Comedy Fundraiser	De Montfort Hall	130
19:30	20:30	James Cook: Sarky Bleeder 2 - Sarkier. Bleedier.	Manhattan 34	86
19:30	20:30	Mark Simmons: Work In Progress	BrewDog	104
19:45	20:45	A PUNchline Hour	The Exchange Bar	45
20:00	21:00	Jake Baker: Caring Is Creepy (wip)	45 West	86
20:00	21:00	Tom Lucy: Work In Progress	The Big Difference	138
20:30	21:30	Stella Graham: Dragon	King Richard III	126
20:30	21:30	Cock-Kane The Clown's Games Night 2nd Edition	Knight & Garter	63
20:30	22:30	The Same Faces: Improvised Comedy	Wygston's House	135
20:30	21:30	Darran Griffiths: Inconceivable (WIP)	Duffy's Bar	68
21:00	22:00	Spence Valentine: One Of The Lads (WIP)	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	125
21:00	22:00	Darren Harriott & Eshaan Akbar: Shame is Delicious - live podcast	Manhattan 34	68
21:00	21:45	F*** January: The Hopeless Hustle	The Globe	73
21:00	22:00	STEPHEN BAILEY: UNTITLED & UNWRITTEN (WIP)	Black Horse	126
21:15	22:15	Adele Cliff does her best and tries new things out (in progress)	The Exchange Bar	48
21:30	22:30	Louise Leigh: Amused	45 West	102
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141

### FRIDAY FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> 2023

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16:00	17:00	When I'm 64	The Globe	142
17:30	18:30	ACOMEDYTAPAS	Knight & Garter	47
17:30	18:30	Charlie George: Grace (Work in Progress)	Duffy's Bar	61
17:30	18:30	Tom Little Has Good Reviews So Prepare To Be Impressed	PETER Pizzeria	138
18:00	18:45	Liz Guterbock: Geriatric Millennial (WIP)	The Globe	101
18:00	20:15	Leicester's Favourite Comedy Film - 2nd Place	Phoenix	100
18:00	19:00	RUSSELL HICKS: NEXT LEVEL	Black Horse	120
18:00	19:00	The Sisters Karazmatik and Friends, Improv Show	Grays@LCB Depot	136
18:00	19:00	Thank God It's Friday! The Early Show	BrewDog	129
18:30	19:30	Jessica Fostekew: Work in Progress	The Big Difference	88
19:00	20:00	Fin Taylor: Daddy Self-Care	Firebug	74
19:00	20:00	Michael Akadiri: No Scrubs	Duffy's Bar	107
19:00	20:00	Samantha Pressdee: Clown Pray Love	Knight & Garter	121
19:00	20:00	Scottish Falsetto Sock Puppet Theatre: The New Show	Kayal	122
19:00	20:30	WORD! and Foxy Comedy with Rob Gee and Lydia Towsey	The Guildhall	143



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19:00	21:30	Circuit Breakers	PETER Pizzeria	63
19:30	21:30	Danny Baker	De Montfort Hall	68
19:30	20:30	Sarah Keyworth: Lost Boy	BrewDog	121
19:30	20:30	Chris Phillips and Kevin Hudson: Half and Half	Manhattan 34	62
19:30	22:00	Gay Comedy Night	The Y Theatre	77
19:30	20:30	George Egg: Set Menu (the Best of George Egg)	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	77
19:30	21:30	Some-Antics Comedy & Spoken Word: Open Mic & Slam	Grays@LCB Depot	125
19:30	20:30	Rich Spalding: Look Who Loves Me	The Globe	117
19:30	20:30	Canny Funny	200 Degrees Coffee Shop	60
19:30	21:00	Foxton Comedy Night	Foxton Village Hall	75
19:45	20:45	Donna Scott: Badger	Grays@LCB Depot	70
20:00	22:00	Laughter Loft	Black Horse	98
20:00	22:30	7 Acts for £7	Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall	44
20:00	21:00	Sasha Ellen: Work In Progress	45 West	122
20:30	21:30	Aaargh It's the One Liner Show	King Richard III	45
20:30	21:30	Alex Farrow: Philosophy Machine	Kayal	50
20:30	21:30	Tharun Chelley: Inside Voice	Knight & Garter	130
20:30	21:30	Patrick Monahan: Classy	Firebug	112
20:30	21:30	Rajiv Karia: Gallivant	Duffy's Bar	116
20:30	23:00	Asfordby Parish Hall Comedy Special	Asfordby Parish Hall	54
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21:00	22:00	The Long Shot	The Globe	134
21:00	22:00	Emmanuel Sonubi: Emancipated	BrewDog	72
21:00	22:00	Thomas Dixon: The Secrets of Magic	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	137
21:00	22:00	Jack Campbell: Nut Milk (WIP)	Manhattan 34	86
21:15	22:15	Abbie Murphy: Empath	Grays@LCB Depot	46
21:30	23:30	Thank God It's Friday! The Late Show	The Big Difference	130
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
22:00	23:00	Alex Mitchell: The Holy Trinity	Kayal	51
22:00	23:00	Tinder Tales	Knight & Garter	137
22:00	23:00	Royal Male: Best Newcomers	Duffy's Bar	120
22:30	23:30	Conlan Beats the Devil	Manhattan 34	65
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141

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12:00	13:00	A Political Breakfast	Knight & Garter	44
13:00	14:00	Afternoon Jokes On Us	Manhattan 34	48
13:00	14:00	Annie McGrath: Work In Progress	Firebug	54
13:00	14:00	School's Out Comedy Club	Grays@LCB Depot	122
13:00	14:00	Lorna Rose Treen: Skin Pigeon	Duffy's Bar	101
14:00	15:00	The Point Of Laughter	Attenborough Arts Centre	135
14:00	14:35	The Red Balloon	The Guildhall	135
14:00	15:00	Fran Jenking: 'This Charming Fran'	The Big Difference	75
14:30	15:30	Freud, Erikson & me	The Globe	76
14:30	15:30	A Silly Hour of FUN	Manhattan 34	45
14:30	15:30	Bruce Edhouse: On Becoming A Person	Firebug	59
14:30	15:30	Billy McGuire Ain't always honest	King Richard III	58
14:30	15:30	Jake Farrell: Sky	Duffy's Bar	86
14:50	15:50	Daniel Nicholas: Party Hour	Grays@LCB Depot	67
15:00	16:00	The Elephant in the Room: An Improvised Comedy Show	Knight & Garter	132
15:00	16:00	The Hoovering Podcast LIVE with host Jessica Fostekew	BrewDog	133
15:15	16:15	Accident Avoidance Training Workshop - Intermediate	Grays@LCB Depot	47
15:30	16:30	Eric Rushton: Not That Deep	The Big Difference	72
15:30	17:00	Afternoon Delight - Just the Tonic's Family Stand Up Show	Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall	48
16:00	17:00	Get Off! Live Comedy - a discussion	Attenborough Arts Centre	78
16:00	17:00	When I'm 64	The Globe	142



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16:00	17:00	Jason Neale: Ain't Nothing Like The Neale Thing, Baby (Ain't Nothing Like The Neale Thing)	Firebug	87
16:00	17:00	Matt Reed: Ha-Harmagedon	PETER Pizzeria	106
16:00	17:00	Phil Ellis: Work In Progress	Duffy's Bar	113
16:00	17:00	Mark Row: A* In The Making	Manhattan 34	104
16:00	17:00	A&mE	King Richard III	45
16:00	17:00	The Laurel & Hardy Cabaret	The Guildhall	133
16:20	17:20	Giddy Aunt Improv	Grays@LCB Depot	78
16:45	17:45	Kevin Hudson - Loyalty Card 3: Rise of the Accountants	Grays@LCB Depot	95
17:00	18:00	Nathan Cassidy: Amnesia	The Big Difference	109
17:30	18:30	Sarah Roberts: Do You Know Who I Am? (Work In Progress)	Kayal	121
17:30	18:30	ACOMEDYTAPAS	Knight & Garter	47
17:30	20:30	Some-Antics Comedy Night	Cotesbach Educational Trust	125
17:30	18:30	Bella Hull: Work in Progress	Duffy's Bar	56
17:30	22:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
17:30	18:30	Glenn Moore: Will You Still Need Me, Will You Still Feed Me, Glenn I'm Sixty Moore	Firebug	78
17:30	18:30	Richard Todd: Transferable Skills	Manhattan 34	118
17:30	18:30	The Unpronounceables	King Richard III	136
17:30	18:30	The Wonderfull Discoverie of Witches in the Countie of Edy Hurst (WIP)	PETER Pizzeria	136
17:50	18:50	Rob Kemp: You may be wondering why I have gathered you here (Work in Progress)	Grays@LCB Depot	119
18:00	19:00	3 (Not So) Wise Men	The Globe	43
18:00	19:00	RUSSELL HICKS: NEXT LEVEL	Black Horse	120
18:00	19:00	Murder She Didn't Write	The Little Theatre	109
18:00	19:00	Comedy in the Dark for Kids	Phoenix	65
18:15	19:15	Character Building Experience	Grays@LCB Depot	61
18:30	19:30	Thanyia Moore: August (WIP)	The Big Difference	130
18:30	23:00	Hinckley's Comedy and Curry	The Function Room	82
19:00	20:00	An Asian Occasion	Knight & Garter	52
19:00	20:00	A bedsit above a bookie's, 6 teaspoons and a roasting tin - a solo show told by two people	Manhattan 34	44
19:00	20:00	Scottish Falsetto Sock Puppet Theatre: The New Show	Kayal	122
19:00	20:30	Red Light Comedy Club	Town Hall Bike Park	117
19:00	20:00	Jack Barry: Don't Happy Be Worry	Duffy's Bar	85
19:00	21:30	Circuit Breakers	PETER Pizzeria	63
19:00	20:00	101 Naughty Jokes in 1 Hour	King Richard III	43
19:20	20:20	Edy Hurst's Comedy Version of Jeff Wayne's Musical Version of H.G. Well's Literary Version (Via Orson Welles' Radio Version) of 'The War of the Worlds'	Grays@LCB Depot	71
19:30	20:20	Harun Musho'd: Why I Don't Talk To People About Terrorism	The Globe	81
19:30	20:30	George Egg: Set Menu (the Best of George Egg)	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	77
19:30	20:30	Darren Hariott: Work In Progress	BrewDog	68
19:30	23:15	30 acts for £30	Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall	43
19:45	20:45	Joseph Parsons: Equaliser	Grays@LCB Depot	92
20:00	21:30	Mike Bubbins	The Y Theatre	107
20:00	22:00	Laughter Loft	Black Horse	98
20:00	21:00	Comedy in the Dark	Phoenix	64
20:00	22:00	Everards Tiger present Roar with Laughter @ the Birch Tree, Coalville	Birch Tree	72
20:00	21:00	Dane Baptiste: Bapsquire	The Big Difference	67
20:00	22:45	Funhouse Comedy Club	Century Theatre	76
20:30	21:30	Tej Dhutia & Jay Sandhu: How Did We Get Here?	Kayal	129
20:30	21:30	Alex Leam: Now 40!	Knight & Garter	50
20:30	21:30	Adam Beardsmore: So It Goes (WIP)	Manhattan 34	47
20:30	21:30	Tragic Mike	King Richard III	139
20:30	23:00	Proper Funny: Peril Design Special	Firebug	115
20:50	21:50	Philip Simon's Cracking Jokes (WIP)	Grays@LCB Depot	113
21:00	22:00	Tony Law: A Now Begin In Again	BrewDog	139
21:00	22:00	David Ferguson: Nice Bum	The Globe	69
21:15	22:15	Spring Day: Work in Progress	Grays@LCB Depot	126
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
22:00	23:00	3 (Not So) Wise Men	Kayal	43
22:00	23:00	Jon Pearson: Ice Breaker	Manhattan 34	92
22:00	23:00	Wesley Mallin: Have You Tried Cheering Up?	Knight & Garter	141



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12:00	13:00	A Political Breakfast.	Knight & Garter	44
12:00	13:00	Drag Queen Story Hour UK @ Fox Books	Fox Books	70
12:30	13:30	RETURN OF THE MATH(s) with Kyle D Evans	The Big Difference	117
13:00	15:45	Joke Spot @ Westcotes Library	Westcotes Library	91
13:00	14:00	ComedySportz UK	PETER Pizzeria	65
13:30	14:30	Pierre Novellie: Work In Progress	Firebug	114
14:00	15:15	An Interview with Seann Walsh	Curve	53
14:00	15:00	Scottish Falsetto Sock Puppet Theatre: The New Show	Kayal	122
14:00	15:00	Olaf Falafel: Children's Book Reading	Fox Books	110
14:00	14:35	The Red Balloon	The Guildhall	135
14:30	15:30	Milo Edwards: Voicemail	Duffy's Bar	108
15:00	16:00	Steve Bugeja: Work In Progress	Firebug	127
15:00	16:00	ACOMEDYTAPAS	Knight & Garter	47
15:00	16:00	Accident Avoidance Training Workshop - Intermediate	The Exchange Bar	47
15:30	16:30	Kyle D Evans: Sum As You Are	The Big Difference	97
15:30	16:30	I'm Spexy and I Poet	Kayal	83
15:30	16:30	The Return of The Mighty Kids Beatbox Comedy Show	The Y Theatre	135
16:00	17:00	Drag Queen Story Hour UK @ Attenborough Arts Centre	Attenborough Arts Centre	70
16:00	17:00	Alexandra Haddow: Not My Finest Hour (WIP)	Duffy's Bar	51
16:00	17:00	The Laurel & Hardy Cabaret	The Guildhall	133
16:00	17:00	Isabelle Farah: Irresponsabelle	PETER Pizzeria	84
16:30	17:30	Alastair Clark: Living My Best Life	The Exchange Bar	49
16:30	17:30	Olaf Falafel's Super Stupid Show	Firebug	111
17:00	18:00	Borscht & B**ch*s	Kayal	59
17:00	17:55	2 Mouthed Men	The Big Difference	43
17:30	18:30	Matt Hollins: Wimbledon's Oldest Ball Boy	King Richard III	106
17:30	18:30	Cerys Bradley: Not Overthinking Things (WIP)	PETER Pizzeria	61
17:30	18:30	Tadiwa Mahlunge: 25	Duffy's Bar	128
17:30	22:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
17:30	18:30	Uncle Richard	Wygston's House	140
18:00	19:00	Dave Chawner: Freelosophy	The Exchange Bar	69
18:00	19:00	Matt Richardson: Work in Progress	Black Horse	106
18:00	19:00	Olaf Falafel: Look What Fell Out Of My Head	Firebug	111
18:30	19:30	Ray Bradshaw: Deaf Com 1	The Big Difference	116
18:30	19:30	Caroline Madds & Karismaa (Katie McLeod): Welcome to the Party	Kayal	60
19:00	20:00	Mad Ron: Crime School	King Richard III	103
19:00	20:00	Glenn Wool: The Glenn Wool Comedy Hour	PETER Pizzeria	78
19:00	20:00	Pierre Novellie: Why Can't I Just Enjoy Things	Duffy's Bar	114
19:00	20:30	FoxyComedy Club Night	Wygston's House	75
19:30	21:20	Rob Auton: The Crowd Show	Firebug	118
19:30	20:30	Alfie Moore: Fair Cop Unleashed	Black Horse	51
19:30	20:40	Scott Bennett: Great Scott!	BrewDog	122
19:30	20:30	Jon Matthews: Talk Nerdy To Me	The Exchange Bar	91
20:00	21:00	WHAM BAM THANK YOU MAM! (Marty Gleeson, Frances Keyton and Su Mi)	Kayal	142
20:00	21:00	Hatty Ashdown: The Worry Drawer	The Big Difference	81
20:30	21:30	Nina Gilligan: Trouser Town	PETER Pizzeria	109
20:30	21:30	2 Slut Drops and a Chicken Burger	King Richard III	43
20:30	21:30	Milo Edwards: Work In Progress	Duffy's Bar	108
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141



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<b>MONDAY FEBRUARY 20<sup>TH</sup> 2023</b>				
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8:30	16:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
9:30	12:00	Laugh Academy: Half-term Comedy School (11-14)	Curve	98
10:00	16:00	Funnier Than You Think - Comedy Workshop & Showcase 2023	Menphys	76
13:00	15:30	Laugh Academy: Half-term Comedy School (15-18)	Curve	98
13:00	15:45	Joke Spot @ Pork Pie Library & Community Centre	Pork Pie Library & Community Centre	90
18:30	19:20	Variety D & Mark Nicholas Split the Bill (WIP)	The Big Difference	140
19:00	19:45	You wouldn't like me when I'm angry	Wygston's House	144
19:00	20:00	Mark Watson: Work In Progress	Firebug	105
19:30	21:30	Jarred Christmas & Friends - Live at the HUB!	Menphys	87
19:45	20:45	Jokes on Us: New Act Showcase	The Exchange Bar	91
20:00	22:00	Laughter Loft	Black Horse	98
20:00	21:00	John Hastings: Do You Have Any Ointment My John Hastings?	The Big Difference	89
20:30	21:30	"The Hairy Indian Bikers" without the Bikes (because our mums won't let us)	King Richard III	133
20:30	22:00	FoxyComedy Club Night	Wygston's House	75
21:15	22:15	Adam Flood: Clayhead Remolded	The Exchange Bar	48
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141
<b>TUESDAY FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> 2023</b>				
All Day	60 mins	The Completely Made-up History of Leicester	Joe Orton Square	131
8:30	16:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
9:30	12:00	Laugh Academy: Half-term Comedy School (11-14)	Curve	98
10:00	17:00	Vista Laughs: Workshop and Showcase	Attenborough Arts Centre	140
13:00	15:30	Laugh Academy: Half-term Comedy School (15-18)	Curve	98
13:00	15:45	Joke Spot @ Beaumont Leys Library	Beaumont Leys Library	90
18:00	19:00	Abigail Paul: Involuntary Momslaughter	The Globe	46
18:30	22:30	The Big Chilli	Chutney Ivy	130
18:30	19:30	Pottervision	The Big Difference	115
19:00	20:00	The Unbearable Lightness of the Bright Pink Orchid	Wygston's House	136
19:00	20:00	A&mE	King Richard III	45
19:00	21:30	Silver Stand Up Competition	PETER Pizzeria	124
19:30	21:30	Egan's Comedy Club - Compilation Show	Egan's Comedy Club at Sommar Leicester	71
19:30	20:30	BANANA BEARD (Work-in-progress)	The Globe	56
19:30	20:30	Daniel Nicholas: Alternative Hour	Manhattan 34	67
19:30	20:30	Carl Donnelly: The Dead Dad Show	Black Horse	60
19:30	21:00	Alcohol Free Comedy Club	Grays@LCB Depot	49
19:45	20:45	Paddy Young: Laugh, You Rats!	The Exchange Bar	112
20:00	21:00	Helen Bauer: Grand Supreme Work In Progress	The Big Difference	82
20:30	21:30	Zayne Fulat: Pretty boy complex	King Richard III	144
20:30	21:30	Nabil Abdulrashid: Work in Progress	Firebug	109
20:30	22:00	FoxyComedy Club Night	Wygston's House	75
21:00	22:00	Big Zeus Energy	The Globe	58
21:00	22:00	Katie Mitchell: Wretched (WIP)	Manhattan 34	95
21:00	22:00	TVI Podcast Live!	Black Horse	139
21:15	22:15	Adam Flood: Clayhead Remolded	The Exchange Bar	48
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141
<b>WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22<sup>ND</sup> 2023</b>				
All Day	60 mins	The Completely Made-up History of Leicester	Joe Orton Square	131
8:30	16:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
9:30	12:00	Laugh Academy: Half-term Comedy School (11-14)	Curve	98
11:00	12:00	The Extraordinary Time-Travelling Adventures of Baron Munchausen	Attenborough Arts Centre	132
11:00	12:00	Worralorrafuns!	Attenborough Arts Centre	143
13:00	15:30	Laugh Academy: Half-term Comedy School (15-18)	Curve	98
13:00	14:00	Shirley's Pop-tastic Vinyl Revival	Attenborough Arts Centre	123
13:00	15:45	Joke Spot @ The Grove Community Hub	The Grove Community Hub	91
14:00	15:00	Louie Stowell: Children's Book Reading	Fox Books	102
15:30	16:30	This is Your Trial - Family Friendly	Attenborough Arts Centre	137



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18:00	19:00	George Lewis: Nudes (Work In Progress)	PETER Pizzeria	78
18:00	19:00	Abigail Paul: Involuntary Momslaughter	The Globe	46
18:00	19:00	Nice! The Meme Guy is here! An evening with Michael Rosen	The Y Theatre	109
18:30	19:30	Some Like it Lit (Part 2)	The Big Difference	125
19:00	20:00	Stand By Your Nan	Wygston's House	126
19:30	21:30	Egan's Comedy Club - Compilation Show	Egan's Comedy Club at Sommar Leicester	71
19:30	20:30	BANANA BEARD (Work-in-progress)	The Globe	56
19:30	22:00	Graduation Night (with Jason Neale)	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	79
19:30	20:30	Rahul Somia and Friends	Manhattan 34	116
19:30	20:30	Andrew Bird	Black Horse	53
19:30	21:30	I'm Sorry I Haven't Got A Clue	De Montfort Hall	85
19:30	20:30	Michelle Shaughnessy: Work in Progress	PETER Pizzeria	107
19:45	21:45	Tommy and Anthony's Trading Places	The Exchange Bar	139
20:00	21:00	Mary O'Connell: Money Princess (WIP)	45 West	105
20:00	21:00	Helen Bauer: Grand Supreme Work In Progress	The Big Difference	82
20:30	21:30	Comedy Karaoke	King Richard III	65
20:30	22:00	FoxyComedy Club Night	Wygston's House	75
21:00	22:00	Big Zeus Energy	The Globe	58
21:00	22:00	Tal Davies & Jacob Nussey: Wry Babies (like cry babies, do you get it)	Manhattan 34	128
21:30	22:30	Simon Lomas: Vile Chore	45 West	124
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141

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8:30	16:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
9:30	12:00	Laugh Academy: Half-term Comedy School (11-14)	Curve	98
11:00	12:00	The Extraordinary Time-Travelling Adventures of Baron Munchausen	Attenborough Arts Centre	132
13:00	15:30	Laugh Academy: Half-term Comedy School (15-18)	Curve	98
13:00	15:45	Joke Spot @ Highfields Library	Highfields Library	90
14:00	15:00	Alasdair Beckett-King: Children's Book Reading	Fox Books	49
15:00	15:45	Mr Sleepy Bum	Attenborough Arts Centre	108
18:00	19:00	Harry Stachini: Grenade (Work in Progress)	PETER Pizzeria	81
18:00	18:45	Kamola's Comedy (Three Quarter) Hour	The Globe	94
18:30	19:30	Alasdair Beckett-King: King of Crumbs (WIP)	The Big Difference	49
19:00	20:00	Coppen Through Life	Knight & Garter	66
19:00	20:00	Jody Kamali: Work-In-Progress	Duffy's Bar	89
19:00	20:00	An Irish Solution to an Irish Problem	King Richard III	53
19:00	20:00	Gerard Harris: Attention Seeker	Wygston's House	78
19:30	21:20	Mike Wozniak: Zusa	The Y Theatre	107
19:30	21:30	George Hinchliffe's Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain	De Montfort Hall	77
19:30	21:30	Egan's Comedy Club - Compilation Show	Egan's Comedy Club at Sommar Leicester	71
19:30	20:30	BANANA BEARD (Work-in-progress)	The Globe	56
19:30	20:30	Aaron Twitchen: No shade (ok, a little shade)	Manhattan 34	46
19:30	21:00	Murder Inc.	BrewDog	108
19:30	20:30	Rosie Sings - My Vagina's Priceless!	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	119
19:30	20:30	Sikisa: Words (WIP)	PETER Pizzeria	123
19:45	20:45	A PUNchline Hour	The Exchange Bar	45
20:00	21:00	Vittorio Angelone: Who Do You Think You Are? I Am! (WIP)	The Big Difference	141
20:00	21:00	Fiona Ridgewell: Work In Progress	45 West	74
20:00	21:00	Garden of Laughter @ La Maison	La Maison	77
20:30	21:30	Spontadeity: Who Let The Gods Out?	Knight & Garter	125
20:30	21:30	Aideen McQueen: Sugar Baby	King Richard III	49
20:30	22:30	The Same Faces: Improvised Comedy	Wygston's House	135
20:30	21:30	Yuriko Kotani: Work In Progress	Duffy's Bar	144
21:00	22:00	Big Zeus Energy	The Globe	58
21:00	22:00	Josh Jones: Work in Progress	PETER Pizzeria	92
21:00	22:00	Ignacio Lopez: Nine Ig Fails (Work in Progress)	Black Horse	83
21:00	22:00	Clementine	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	63



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21:15	22:15	Adele Cliff does her best and tries new things out (in progress)	The Exchange Bar	48
21:30	22:30	Abigail Paul: Involuntary Momslaughter	45 West	46
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141

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All Day	60 mins	The Completely Made-up History of Leicester	Joe Orton Square	131
8:30	22:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
9:30	12:00	Laugh Academy: Half-term Comedy School (11-14)	Curve	98
11:00	11:55	Blue Badge Bunch	Attenborough Arts Centre	58
12:00	15:00	Joke Spot @ Beaumont Leys Children, Young People and Family Centre	Beaumont Leys and Stocking Farm Children, Young People and Family Centre	90
13:00	15:30	Laugh Academy: Half-term Comedy School (15-18)	Curve	98
13:00	14:00	The Extraordinary Time-Travelling Adventures of Baron Munchausen	Attenborough Arts Centre	132
14:00	14:30	Bingo's Adventure	King Richard III	58
16:00	17:00	When I'm 64	The Globe	142
17:00	22:00	Last Friday @ Leicester Comedy Festival	LCB Depot	97
17:30	18:30	ACOMEDYTAPAS	Knight & Garter	47
17:30	18:30	Alice Frick: The Anti Self-Help Show	PETER Pizzeria	52
18:00	20:15	Leicester's Favourite Comedy Film - 1st Place	Phoenix	100
18:00	19:00	Laura Lexx: (mother) FIGURE [WIP]	Black Horse	99
18:00	18:45	Alwin Solanky: Electric Dreams	Duffy's Bar	52
18:00	18:45	Kamola's Comedy (Three Quarter) Hour	The Globe	94
18:00	19:00	Laugh Academy Showcase (11-14)	Curve	98
18:00	19:00	Thank God It's Friday! The Early Show	BrewDog	129
18:15	19:15	Chris Phillips: How to disappear completely (WIP)	Manhattan 34	62
19:00	20:00	Daphna Baram: Out and About	Kayal	68
19:00	20:00	Opportunity Knock Knocks	Knight & Garter	111
19:00	20:00	Bilal Zafar: Care	Firebug	58
19:00	20:00	Ian Stone In The Wilderness (work in progress)	PETER Pizzeria	83
19:00	20:00	Just Guys Bein' Dudes: Jacob Hatton & Richard Stott	Grays@LCB Depot	93
19:00	20:00	An Irish Solution to an Irish Problem	King Richard III	53
19:00	20:00	Potatohead	Attenborough Arts Centre	114
19:15	20:15	Grace Campbell: A Show About Me(n)	Sue Townsend Theatre	79
19:15	20:15	Peter Fleming Meets Doctor Who!	Duffy's Bar	113
19:30	20:30	Mates: The Improvised '90s Sitcom	BrewDog	105
19:30	21:00	Whatton Laughs	Long Whatton Community Centre	142
19:30	20:30	Rhymes Against Humanity - The Improvised Musical	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	117
19:30	20:15	Phil Green: Millennial Bug (The Unbearable Weight of Social Expectation)	The Globe	113
19:30	20:30	Hannah Silvester: Crush	Grays@LCB Depot	80
19:30	20:30	Laugh Academy Showcase (15-18)	Curve	98
19:30	20:30	Mothers and Daughters Game Show	200 Degrees Coffee Shop	108
19:45	20:45	Kevin Daniel - FREEDOM	Manhattan 34	95
20:00	21:30	Babatunde Aléshé: Babahood	The Y Theatre	55
20:00	21:00	Eshaan Akbar: The Pretender	The Big Difference	72
20:00	22:00	Laughter Loft	Black Horse	98
20:00	21:00	Samantha Day: CAREERING	45 West	121
20:00	22:30	7 Acts for £7	Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall	44
20:00	22:00	Marcel Lucont's Cabaret Fantastique	The Little Theatre	104
20:30	21:30	Rebekka Turner: Bex's Chainsaw Moussaka	Knight & Garter	117
20:30	21:30	Alex Farrow: New Ideas	Kayal	50
20:30	21:30	An Audience with Arthur Smith	PETER Pizzeria	53
20:30	21:30	Tom Mayhew: Work in Progress	Grays@LCB Depot	138
20:30	21:30	Aideen McQueen: Sugar Baby	King Richard III	49
20:30	21:30	Jarlath Regan: Work In Progress	Firebug	87
21:00	22:00	Improvoke	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	84
21:00	22:00	Niteskreen	Duffy's Bar	110
21:00	22:00	Garrett Millerick: Just Trying to Help	BrewDog	77



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21:00	22:00	Let's Get Friz Frizzle (to the tune of "Let's Get Physical")	Grays@LCB Depot	100
21:15	22:15	Louise Atkinson: Mates (Work in Progress)	Manhattan 34	102
21:30	22:30	Abigail Paul: Involuntary Momslaughter	45 West	46
21:30	22:30	Rich Spalding: Look Who Loves Me	The Globe	117
21:30	23:30	Thank God It's Friday! The Late Show	The Big Difference	130
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
22:00	23:00	Alex Leam: Joy of Decks, The Last Dance!	Knight & Garter	50
22:00	23:00	Lame Miserables	Kayal	97
22:30	23:30	Consignia Presents: All the Punks are Boomers now	Duffy's Bar	65
23:30	00:30	Best of Irish at the Craic Den	King Richard III	57
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> 2023

All Day	60 mins	The Completely Made-up History of Leicester	Joe Orton Square	131
11:00	11:45	House of Twaddle	The Guildhall	82
11:00	15:00	Family Extravaganza : 'Playing in Wonderland'	Attenborough Arts Centre	74
12:00	13:00	A Political Breakfast.	Knight & Garter	44
12:00	16:00	30th Anniversary Celebration	Sue Townsend Theatre	44
12:30	13:30	Jeddy Bear & Gary's Fiesta of Fun	The Big Difference	88
12:30	13:30	Andy Barr: Collected Works	Firebug	54
13:00	14:00	Guffaws at the Guildhall	The Guildhall	79
13:00	14:00	The Discount Comedy Checkout - Improvised Family Show	PETER Pizzeria	132
13:00	14:00	Afternoon Jokes On Us	Manhattan 34	48
14:00	14:50	Kat Bond: Pleaser (Work in Progress)	Firebug	94
14:00	14:30	Bingo's Adventure	King Richard III	58
14:00	15:00	Loremen Live	The Big Difference	101
14:30	15:30	A Silly Hour of FUN	Manhattan 34	45
14:30	15:30	False Economy LIVE	PETER Pizzeria	73
14:50	15:50	The Oxford Imps	Grays@LCB Depot	134
15:00	16:00	That One-Liner Bloke's Comedy Show	Knight & Garter	130
15:00	15:30	Aaargh its 101 Clean Jokes in 30 minutes	King Richard III	45
15:15	16:00	Ali Brice: I'm More Interested In What You Have To Say	Firebug	52
15:15	16:15	Elliot Wengler: Jokemon	Grays@LCB Depot	72
15:30	17:00	Afternoon Delight - Just the Tonic's Family Stand Up Show	Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall	48
15:30	16:30	Short & Curly: kids in your pants	The Big Difference	123
15:30	16:30	Stephen Buchanan: Charicature (WIP)	Phoenix	127
16:00	17:00	Maddie Campion: Work in Progress	Manhattan 34	103
16:00	17:00	Liam Withnail: Infinite Groove (Work in Progress)	PETER Pizzeria	100
16:00	17:00	Best of Irish at the Craic Den	King Richard III	57
16:20	17:20	Madame Chandelier's Opera House Party	Grays@LCB Depot	103
16:30	17:30	Alexander Bennett: I Don't Care For The Man Myself	Firebug	51
16:30	17:30	Laura Lexx: (mother) FIGURE [WIP]	Black Horse	99
16:30	17:30	Grubby Little Mitts	BrewDog	79
16:45	17:45	Action Figure Archive Vol 2 With Steve McLean	Grays@LCB Depot	47
17:00	18:00	Pauly F Taylor: Head In The Clouds	The Big Difference	112
17:30	18:30	Okse: Oksemonic	King Richard III	110
17:30	18:30	ACOMEDYTAPAS	Knight & Garter	47
17:30	18:30	Jason Neale: Ain't Nothing Like The Neale Thing, Baby (Ain't Nothing Like The Neale Thing)	Manhattan 34	87
17:30	18:30	The Discount Comedy Checkout - Adult Improv Show	PETER Pizzeria	132
17:30	18:30	Abigail Rolling: Shit Lawyer	Kayal	47
17:30	22:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
17:50	18:50	Katie Pritchard is: The Estate Agent	Grays@LCB Depot	95
18:00	19:00	Stokes & Summers: Careering	BrewDog	127
18:00	19:00	Comedy in the Dark for Kids	Phoenix	65
18:00	19:00	CheapShow	Firebug	61
18:15	19:15	Ryan Mold: The Generation Gap (WIP)	Grays@LCB Depot	120
18:30	19:30	Comedy Arcade Live	The Big Difference	64
19:00	20:00	Bryan James & Eppie Brilliant: Mixed Bill	Kayal	59
19:00	20:00	Plastic Jeezus: Leave Them Wanting Less	PETER Pizzeria	114



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19:00	20:00	An Asian Occasion	Knight & Garter	52
19:00	21:00	Comedy on the Wolds	Waltham on the Wolds Village Hall	65
19:00	20:00	An Irish Solution to an Irish Problem	King Richard III	53
19:00	20:30	Red Light Comedy Club	Town Hall Bike Park	117
19:20	20:20	What's in the Box?	Grays@LCB Depot	142
19:30	22:00	Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year Competition 2023	The Y Theatre	99
19:30	21:30	Jimeoin	De Montfort Hall	88
19:30	20:30	Mates: The Improvised '90s Sitcom	BrewDog	105
19:30	20:30	Adam Larter: *cricket noises*	Duffy's Bar	48
19:30	20:30	Stuart Goldsmith: Spoilers (Work in Progress)	Firebug	127
19:30	20:15	Phil Green: Millennial Bug (The Unbearable Weight of Social Expectation)	The Globe	113
19:30	20:30	War of the Worlds (on a budget)	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	141
19:45	20:45	The Chris Norton Walker Experience	Grays@LCB Depot	131
20:00	21:50	Gary Delaney: Punderland	Mountsorrel Memorial Centre	77
20:00	21:00	Tom Ward: Anthem	The Big Difference	138
20:00	22:00	Laughter Loft	Black Horse	98
20:00	22:00	Just The Tonic's Saturday Night Special	Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall	93
20:00	21:00	Comedy in the Dark	Phoenix	64
20:00	22:00	Everards Tiger present Roar with Laughter @ the Birch Tree, Coalville	Birch Tree	72
20:30	21:30	The Comedy Firm of Crossland & Wilkinson	Kayal	131
20:30	21:30	Alex Leam: Now 40!	Knight & Garter	50
20:30	21:30	Andrew White: Man on Man (WIP)	Manhattan 34	54
20:30	21:30	Aideen McQueen: Sugar Baby	King Richard III	49
20:30	21:25	Richard Stott: Afterparty	PETER Pizzeria	118
20:30	23:00	East Leake Comedy Show	East Leake Parish hall	71
20:50	21:50	Ben Macpherson: Bonfire Man	Grays@LCB Depot	57
21:00	22:00	Kevin Hudson - Loyalty Card 3: Rise of the Accountants	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	95
21:00	23:00	Proper Funny Comedy's Saturday Showcase	Firebug	115
21:00	22:00	Garrett Millerick: Just Trying to Help	BrewDog	77
21:15	22:15	Laura Monmoth Stands in Front of a Screen for 55 Minutes 23 Seconds. Hilarity Ensues.	Grays@LCB Depot	99
21:30	22:30	Matt Hutchinson: Hostile (Preview)	The Big Difference	106
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
22:00	23:00	Inform, Educate, Entertain	Kayal	84
22:00	23:00	Wesley Mallin: Have You Tried Cheering Up?	Knight & Garter	141
22:00	23:00	Let's Get Friz Frizzle (to the tune of "Let's Get Physical")	Manhattan 34	100
22:00	23:30	The Late Night Comedy Club	PETER Pizzeria	133
23:30	00:30	Late Night Jokes On Us	Manhattan 34	97
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26<sup>TH</sup> 2023

All Day	60 mins	The Completely Made-up History of Leicester	Joe Orton Square	131
12:00	13:00	A Political Breakfast.	Knight & Garter	44
12:15	13:15	Charlie Vero-Martin: Picnic (WIP)	Duffy's Bar	61
12:30	13:30	Jeddy Bear & Gary's Fiesta of Fun	The Big Difference	88
13:30	15:00	The Birthday Spectacular	Sue Townsend Theatre	131
13:40	14:25	Michael Brunström: Theme and Variations	Duffy's Bar	107
14:00	15:00	Bryan James & Eppie Brilliant: Mixed Bill	Kayal	59
14:00	15:15	I SAY - THE ANNUAL COMEDY CONVERSATION FEATURING NISH KUMAR	Curve	83
14:00	15:00	Do you Mind if I Laugh?	Attenborough Arts Centre	70
14:00	15:00	Tell Tale Twit... A Storytelling Show by Gav Cross	The Big Difference	129
14:00	15:00	Sara Barron: Work In Progress	Firebug	121
14:50	15:45	Ben Target: Super Commercial Mega Mainstream Comedy Show (WIP)	Duffy's Bar	57
15:00	16:00	ACOMEDYTAPAS	Knight & Garter	47
15:00	15:30	Aaargh its 101 Clean Jokes in 30 minutes	King Richard III	45
15:00	16:00	Laura Lexx: Pivot (Reading/Signing)	Fox Books	99
15:30	16:30	Abigail Rolling: Shit Lawyer	Kayal	47
15:30	16:30	Ben Briggs: Yesterday's Birthday Boy	The Big Difference	56
15:30	17:45	Richard Herring's Leicester Square Theatre Podcast	The Y Theatre	117
15:30	16:30	Ahir Shah: Work In Progress	Firebug	48



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16:00	17:00	Best of Irish at the Craic Den	King Richard III	57
16:20	17:20	Terry Wogan Screams	Duffy's Bar	129
16:30	17:30	Grubby Little Mitts	BrewDog	79
17:00	18:00	Nathan Cassidy: Amnesia	The Big Difference	109
17:00	18:00	Kwame Asante: In Stitches	Kayal	97
17:30	22:30	Leicester Comedy Festival 30th anniversary exhibition	The Old Library Cafe & Galleries	99
17:30	18:30	Matt Price : does thirty styles of comedy in an hour!	Wygston's House	106
17:45	18:30	Jiminy H. Criquet: Into the Criquetverse (WIP)	Duffy's Bar	89
18:00	19:00	Laura Lexx: (mother) FIGURE [WIP]	Black Horse	99
18:20	19:20	Stanley Brooks: I Can Make Me Rich	Kayal	126
18:30	19:30	Vix Leyton : Pedestrian	The Big Difference	141
19:00	20:00	MATT BRAGG HAS NOTHING WRONG WITH HIM (Work In Progress)	PETER Pizzeria	105
19:00	21:30	The Same Faces: Improv Smackdown 2023	Upstairs At The Western Theatre	135
19:00	20:00	An Irish Solution to an Irish Problem	King Richard III	53
19:00	20:30	FoxyComedy Club Night	Wygston's House	75
19:00	20:00	Viggo Venn: Club Comedian	Duffy's Bar	140
19:00	21:30	Comedy Heaven - 30th Anniversary Special	Curve	64
19:30	20:30	The Halls Of Ridiculous - Improvised Sketch Show	BrewDog	133
19:30	21:30	Laughter Loft Gong Show	Black Horse	98
20:00	21:00	Kat of all trades	Kayal	94
20:00	21:40	John Kearns: The Varnishing Days	Firebug	89
20:00	22:00	Lloyd Griffith	The Y Theatre	101
20:00	21:00	Will Duggan: Iceberg	The Big Difference	143
20:30	21:30	Aideen McQueen: Sugar Baby	King Richard III	49
20:30	21:30	The Totally Improvised Musical	PETER Pizzeria	136
20:30	21:30	Julia Masli: Choosh!	Duffy's Bar	93
22:00	23:00	Aaargh its the Monster Stand Up Show	King Richard III	45
24:00	01:00	Warhol: Bullet Karma by Garry Roost Directed by Kenneth Hadley	LCF Online Events	141







Monster Comedy presents

101 NAUGHTY JOKES IN 1 HOUR

Award winning gag merchant Masai Graham, UK Pun Championship Winner 2016, Joke of the Fringe Winner 2016, 2021 and 2022, delivers over 100 naughty jokes in an hour. Expect puns, one liners and word play in this 3.3 laughs per minute bonanza. "Flashes of genius" \*\*\*\* Chortle. Featuring guest spots from some of the naughtiest joke tellers on the circuit.

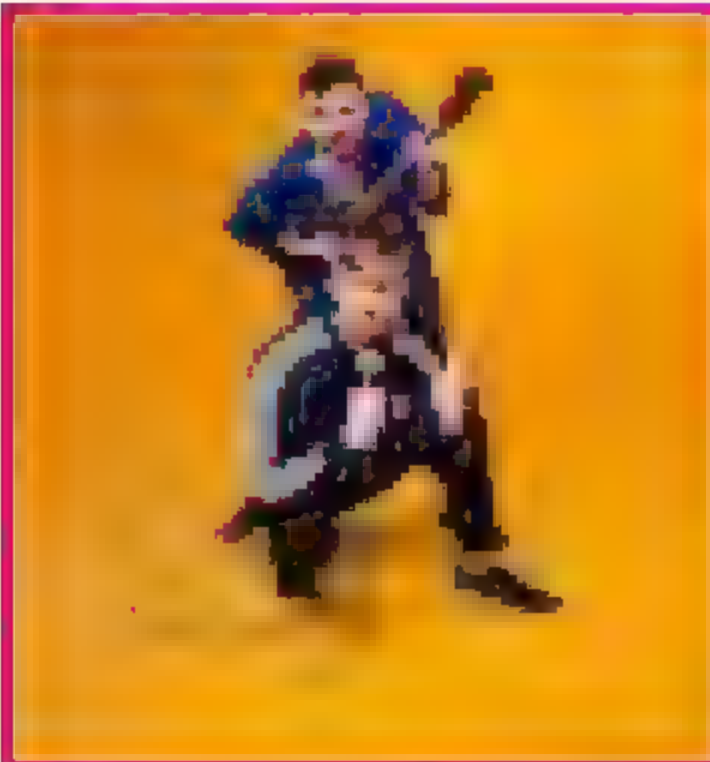
STAND UP

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Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Harry Neal & Ingenious Fools

2 MOUTHED MEN

Two men. Two mics. Too many sick beats. Imagine the best gig you've ever been to; then add a healthy amount of beatboxing, a bowlful of comedy, & a big dollop of funky beats. With beat-centric sketches & contagious cheer, these boys won't stop until you're moving, grooving & laughing along. Musical Comedy Award Finalists 2020, Sketch Off! finalists 2022, "Original & ingenious" Lost In Theatreland, \*\*\*\* x 2 EdFringeReview, \*\*\*\*\* Pick of the Fringe [www.2mouthedmen.com](http://www.2mouthedmen.com)

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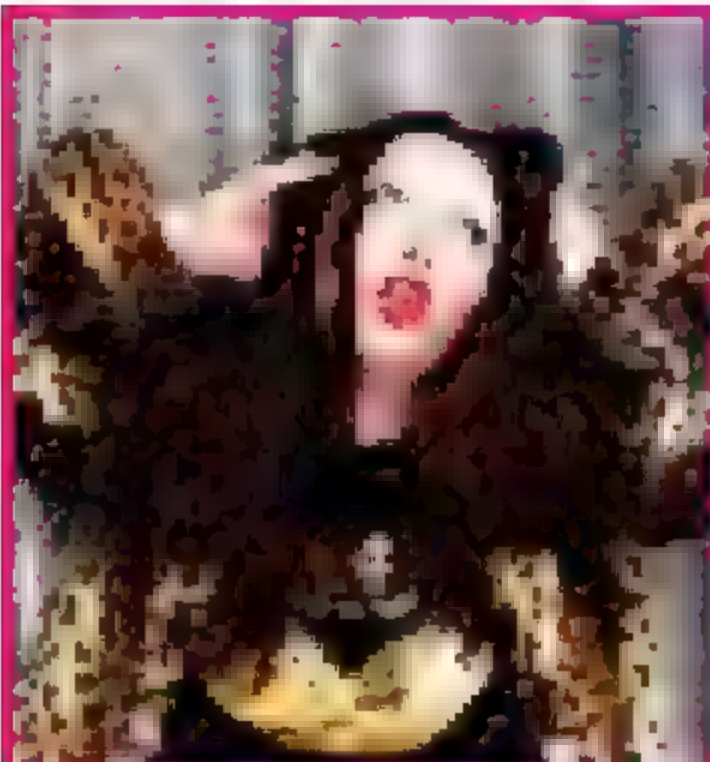
SKETCH, MUSICAL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:00 (17:55)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £8 (£6)



Monster Comedy Presents

2 SLUT DROPS AND A CHICKEN BURGER

Award-winning Kirsty Munro is turning 40, but still loves a coupla slut drops and a chicken burger at 4am! Join her for a fun-packed show / 40th birthday party, as she chats about sexy times, nights out and starting a fight with a yoga instructor. "You will absolutely love her!" Who Knows Comedy. Best New Act 2011, Crumblin' Cookie. "Brilliant set. Kirsty's energy is infectious and you're hooked from the start. Proper solid jokes." Jack Gleadow.

WORLD PREMIERE

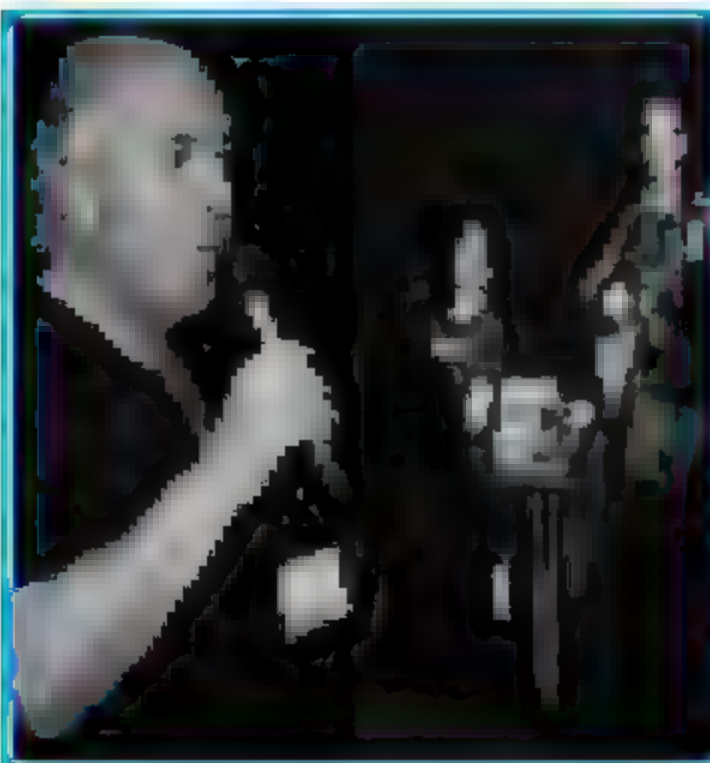
SOLO SHOW, INTERACTIVE

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Henry Churniavsky

3 (NOT SO) WISE MEN

3 (Not So) Wise Men, well 3 Scousers return to LCF. Henry Churniavsky the only Jewish, Scouse comedian living in Liverpool and a new Musical/Comedy Duo - 'ScouseNuts'. Henry will be performing from his Edinburgh Solo Show 'With All Jew Respect' and 'ScouseNuts' - John W & John P will be performing brand new material just to entertain you all. Profits from shows going to Mental Health Charities-JamiUK & YoungMinds via the Laugh For Life Charity. [www.cuecomedy.co.uk](http://www.cuecomedy.co.uk)

WORLD PREMIERE

EVENT, MUSICAL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 18:00 (19:00)

Venue: The Globe Map Ref: 50

Entry: £5 (£4)



Henry Churniavsky in association with NCF & Late Stage Comedy presents

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WORLD PREMIERE

EVENT, MUSICAL

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Time: 22:00 (23:00)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Big Difference & Just The Tonic present

30 ACTS FOR £30

A show to celebrate 30 years of Leicester Comedy Festival. We bring you a whopping 30 comedians all under one roof, in one night. The evening will be hosted by the brilliant Eshaan Akbar (Mock the Week, QI), Dan Nightingale (Have a Word), and more exciting acts to be announced. A unique event not to miss!

MIXED BILL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (23:15)

Venue: Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall Map Ref: 27

Entry: £30





Big Difference presents

**30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Join past staff members, volunteers, sponsors, media, venue staff, comedians, trustees and others who have had a link with the festival over the years, as we get together to mark 30 years of a student project which frankly got a bit out of hand. Featuring a Q&A between Arthur Smith & Geoff Rowe. In aid of Big Difference Company. (registered charity 1135167). In partnership with De Montfort University and thanks to Reach Marketing.



EVENT

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 **25** 26
**Time:** 12:00 (16:00)**Venue:** Sue Townsend Theatre Map Ref: 43**Entry:** £30 inc lunch

Just the Tonic presents

**7 ACTS FOR £7**

Just the Tonic brings you 7 comedians each Friday night for only £7. A total bargain of a mixed bill show 'Just the Tonic consistently boast some of the most interesting line ups in the country' The Times. Each week we feature some of the best acts from the UK circuit. Two and a half hour show for £7. Bargain. These shows will sell out, so book early For individual show listings check online at [www.justthetonic.com](http://www.justthetonic.com)

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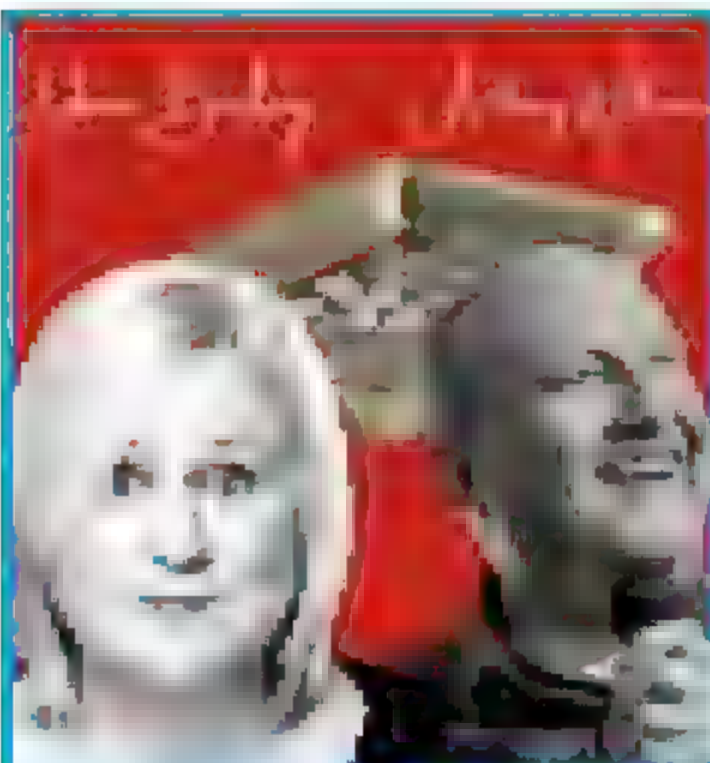
STAND UP, MIXED BILL

**DATES:** 08 09 **10** 11 12 13 14 15 16 **17** 18 19 20 21 22 23 **24** 25 26
**Time:** 20:00 (22:30)**Venue:** Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall Map Ref: 27**Entry:** £7

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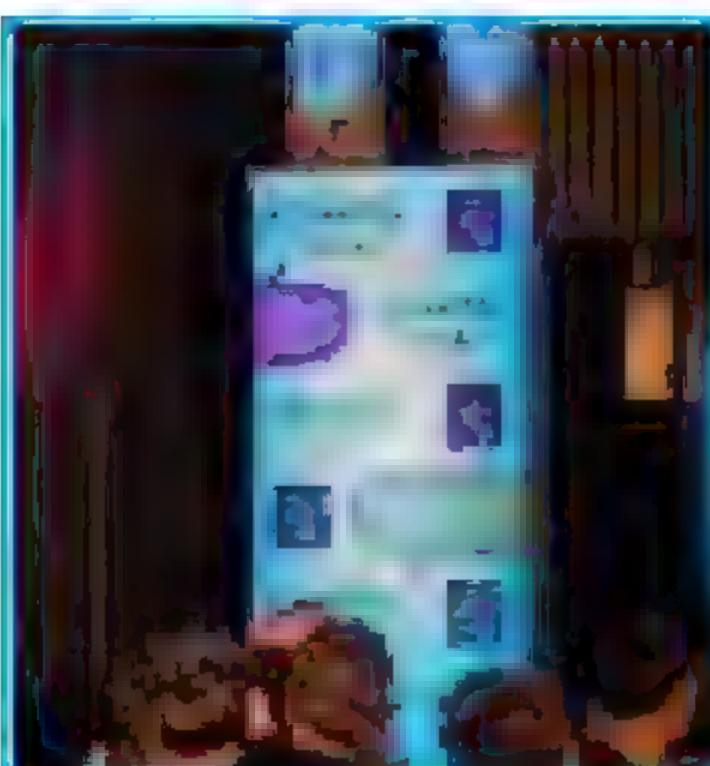
**A BEDSIT ABOVE A BOOKIE'S, 6 TEASPOONS AND A ROASTING TIN - A SOLO SHOW TOLD BY TWO PEOPLE**

WORLD PREMIERE



This is a solo show: A show about going solo. When you met your life partner in maths, how do you navigate around dating apps, lockdown and living alone for the first time? From the trials and tribulations of starting a new life in your 40s to becoming obsessed with a daytime TV show, this show explores life as it's lived by two middle aged singletons, thrust into a world they know nothing about. Joke heavy storytelling with a twist in the tale

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 **18** 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 19:00 (20:00)**Venue:** Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want

Charity Link present

**A BELLYFUL OF LAUGHS IN AID OF CHARITY LINK**

Our Leicester Comedy Award winning show is back! Crafty, based in St Martins Coffee Shop, will treat you to delicious comfort cuisine in cool and comfortable surroundings whilst you enjoy a dollop of fun with a range of comedians. You will also have a nice warm feeling helping local people and children to be warm, safe and fed during the cost of living crisis. Ticket price includes two course meal, comedy night and proceeds donated.

[www.charity-link.org](http://www.charity-link.org)

MIXED BILL

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 **16** 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 18:00 (22:30)**Venue:** St Martin's Coffee Shop Map Ref: 42**Entry:** £25

JESTERS Dublin in assoc with Furthest From The Sea

**A POLITICAL BREAKFAST.**

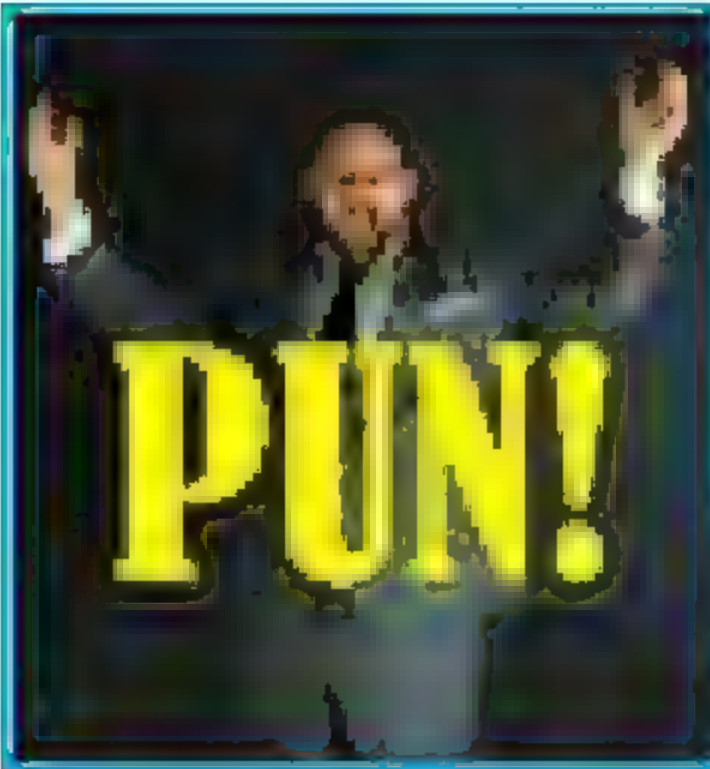
Lighthearted chat with a panel about politics with the focus on the funny. There will be some audience involvement but this is the morning so all relaxed & easy going. This show was popular at Edinburgh Kate Copstick The Scotsman "...the way to start your day if you are slightly interested in politics" You can have a coffee or a late breakfast at the gig. Food & Fun. The total package. ... and it's on



DISCUSSION, SATIRE

**DATES:** 08 09 10 **11** **12** 13 14 15 16 17 **18** **19** 20 21 22 23 24 **25** **26**
**Time:** 12:00 (13:00)**Venue:** Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30**Entry:** £8





**A PUNCHLINE HOUR**





Award winning comedian Chris Norton Walker hosts one-liner comedians from all over the UK to come and perform their funniest short jokes! 2019/2020/2022 SELL OUT shows included performers such as Tony Cowards, Adele Cliff and Mark Simmons. Who will turn up this year? Anyone from TV comedians, Award winning one liners and UK Pun Championships Winners

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 19:45 (20:45)
Venue:	The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



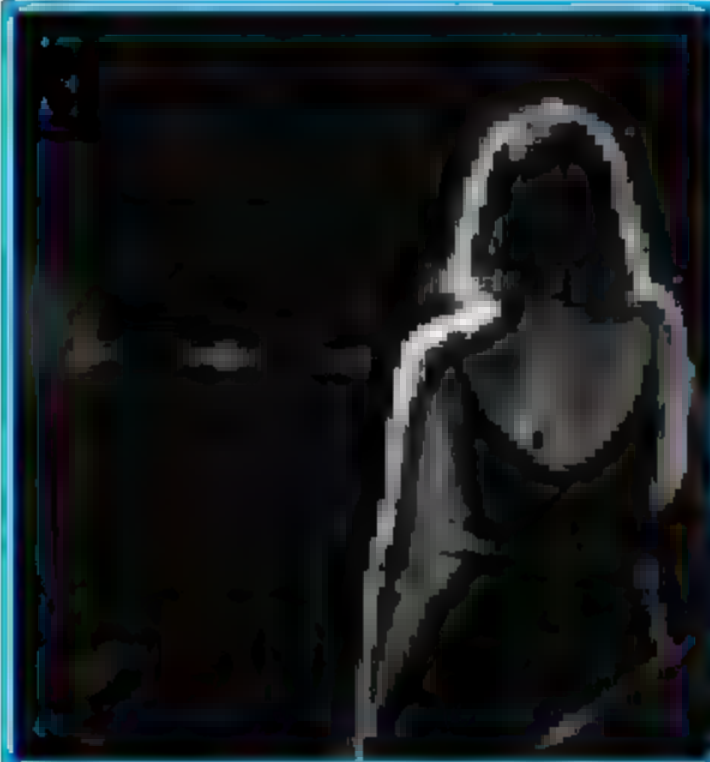
**A SILLY HOUR OF FUN**





What do you get if you cross a whirlwind of fun, with a magician of mirth and a Tsunami of songs? This show, that's what! Three award winning comedians use puns, songs and award nominated gags to have childish fun over approximately an hour. Not to be missed featuring Adele Cliff, Katie Pritchard and the loudest man in comedy Chris Norton Walker.

GAME SHOW, MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 14:30 (15:30)
Venue:	Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Monster Comedy Presents**A&ME**





Returning this year, with a fresh new show about her struggles, follow Alex's story as both a patient and employee within the NHS. After getting sacked, she officially hit rock bottom. Alex saw this as a sign and after multiple mental breakdowns, she used this opportunity to change her life (but not before she tried to end it). Do you think she'll stay alive long enough to do her show? I guess you'll have to come and find out..

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 18th - 16:00 (17:00)   21st - 19:00 (20:00)
Venue:	King Richard III Map Ref: 29																			Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Monster Comedy Presents**AAARGH IT'S THE ONE LINER SHOW**





Enjoy an hour of the best up-and-coming one-liner comedians on the circuit in this celebration of puns, one-liners and word play. Hosted by Masai Graham, Joke of the Fringe 2016 and 2022 Winner, UK Pun Championships 2016 Winner and (Some Guy Called) DAVE Joke of the Fringe 2021 Winner.

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 20:30 (21:30)
Venue:	King Richard III Map Ref: 29																			Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Monster Comedy presents**AAARGH ITS 101 CLEAN JOKES IN 30 MINUTES**



Award-winning gag merchant Masai Graham, UK Pun Championship Winner 2016, Joke of the Fringe Winner 2016, 2021 and 2022, delivers over 100 clean jokes in just half an hour. Expect puns, one-liners and wordplay in this 3.3 laughs per minute bonanza. "Annoyingly good" Gary Delaney, Mock the Week. "Flashes of Proper Genius" \*\*\*\* (Chortle)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 15:00 (15:30)
Venue:	King Richard III Map Ref: 29																			Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Monster Comedy Presents**AAARGH ITS THE MONSTER STAND UP SHOW**




Feast on five of the tastiest up-and-coming comedians on the circuit in this stand-up comedy showcase, including your award-winning host, Masai Graham (UK Pun Champion 2016, Joke of the Fringe Winner 2016 and 2022, (some guy called) DAVE Joke of the Fringe Winner 2021). Showcasing a different line-up every day featuring the best of the fest.

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 22:00 (23:00)
Venue:	King Richard III Map Ref: 29																			Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want





Gag Reflex Present

**AARON SIMMONDS: BABY STEPS (WIP)**

Aaron has been doing stand-up comedy without standing up for 8 years now, and it's time for that to change! Join him as he attempts to do something he's never done before... Stand-up comedy, standing up. 'His hilarious stories are so well delivered making the audience howl' \*\*\*\*\* (Neurodiverse Review) 'hysterically funny' \*\*\*\*\* Voice Mag, 'superb storyteller' (Scotsman) As seen on The Russell Howard Hour, Guessable and The Stand Up Sketch Show.  
<https://www.aaronsimmondscomedy.com>

**STAND UP, STORYTELLING**

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 21:15 (22:15)
Venue:	Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Monster Comedy Present

**AARON TWITCHEN: NO SHADE (OK, A LITTLE SHADE)**

Putting the FUN back into FUNNY. Well, trying to. You start off keeping it light and upbeat but - be real - its hard not to be a little bitchy. "Fierce, fresh and fabulous" (Alesha Dixon) flamboyant comedy from your favourite living stereotype, Aaron Twitchen. "Hilarious, warm, energetic and capable of busting some serious moves. Twitchen is a quadruple threat" (The Skinny) Pay what you want on door, or £5 to reserve a ticket online  
[www.iloveaaron.co.uk](http://www.iloveaaron.co.uk)

**STAND UP, SATIRE**

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**STAND UP, SATIRE**

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Venue:	Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want




**ABBIE MURPHY: EMPATH**

My name is Abbie and I'm an Empath. An empath is! Someone who feels more empathy than the average person (How cute am I?!) Alternatively, Empath is just a new buzz word from an online, social media therapy culture and you're really just a person with zero boundaries, any modicum of self worth and martyr complex. (Ah... Less cute)  
[www.abbiemurphyofficial.com](http://www.abbiemurphyofficial.com)

**STAND UP, STORYTELLING**

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 21:15 (22:15)
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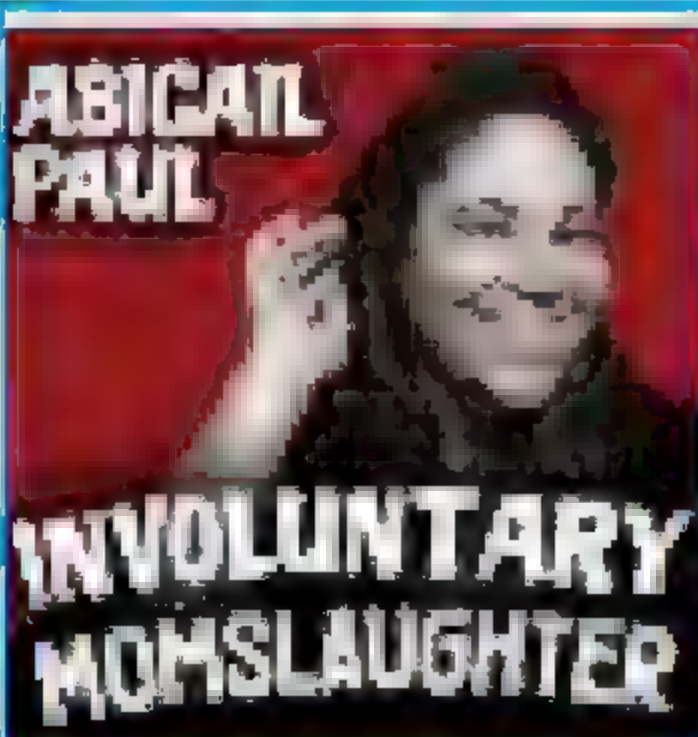
Jokes On Us Present

**ABIGAIL PAUL: INVOLUNTARY MOMSLAUGHTER**

Involuntary Momslaughter puts the 'dis' in dysfunction. Abigail is fine, and doesn't want to talk about her mother anymore, but here we are. With this biting dark comedy show about living with narcissistic personality disorder, she breaks taboos by disclosing the juicy details on her unique but appalling family. All jokes! No heart. Involuntary Momslaughter is a biting satire of the 'dead dad' show trope in the form of a live personal essay.  
[www.abigailpaul.com](http://www.abigailpaul.com)

**REGIONAL PREMIERE** **SOLD SHOW, STAND UP**

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 21:30 (22:30)
Venue:	45 West Map Ref: 2																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



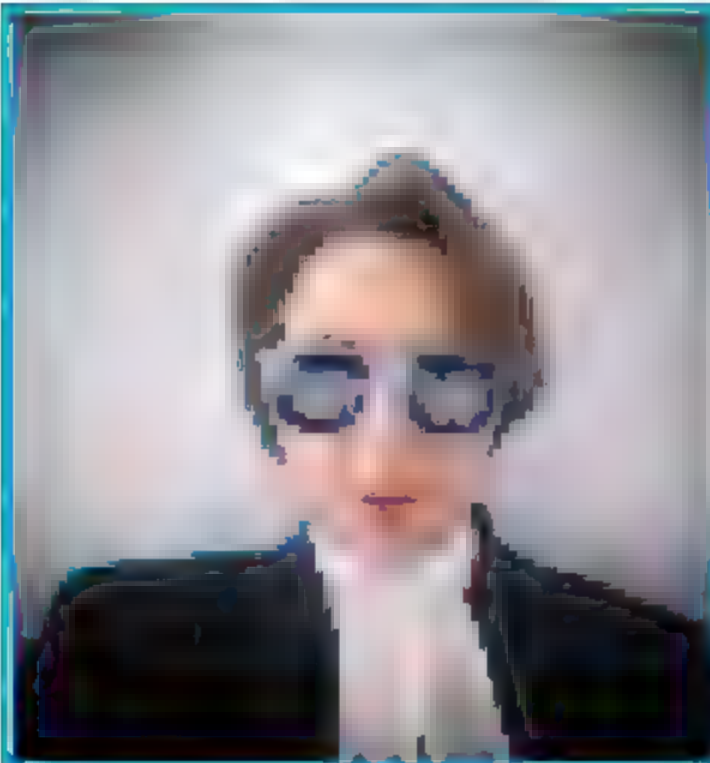
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DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 18:00 (19:00)
Venue:	The Globe Map Ref: 50																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want





NCF & Late Stage Comedy present

**ABIGAIL ROLLING: SHIT LAWYER**

Abby's sell out success 2022 Edinburgh Fringe debut 'Shit Lawyer' is coming to Leicester! Practicing criminal defence solicitor, she's been chained to a radiator in the Magistrates' court for almost thirty years. With her trademark misanthropic mirth Abby pulls back the curtain on a criminal justice system in terminal decline. The stories are true, the crisis real. Dark. Funny. Underfunded. And that's just her.

[www.shitlawyer.co.uk/](http://www.shitlawyer.co.uk/)

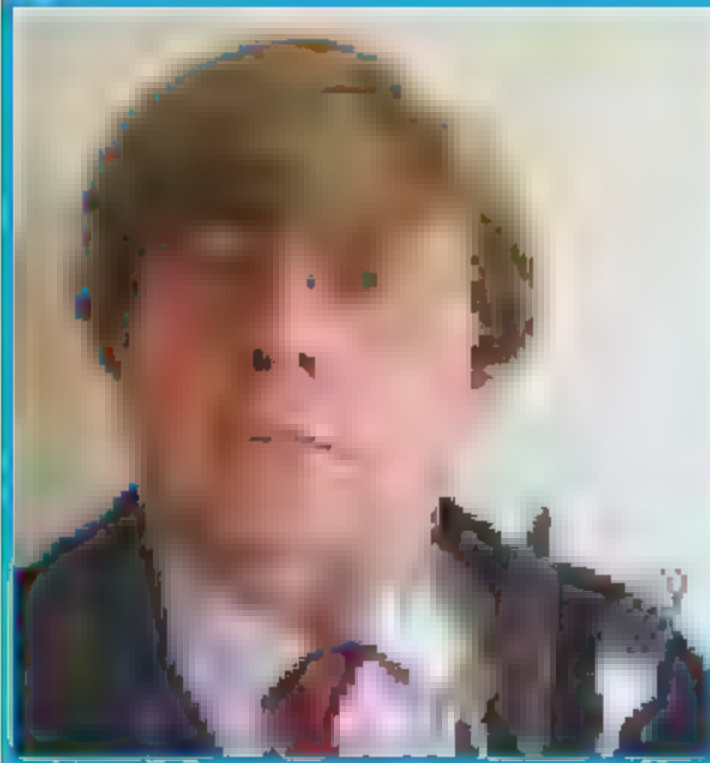
STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:30 (18:30) & 15:30 (16:30)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 (£5) £7.50 (£5) advance or Pay What



Jokes On Us Present

**ACCIDENT AVOIDANCE TRAINING WORKSHOP - INTERMEDIATE**

If you were face to face with a rampaging rhino, trapped upside down in a wheelie bin full of water, or under attack by an unidentified flying cutlery item (UFCI) could you survive? Cutlery expert and general Health & Safety guru Ian Crawford is here to save the day with 101 tips to stay alive for as long as is humanly possible. Book now before it's too late. "Forking good" \*\*\*\* (The Wee Review) 'Well-honed, good silly fun' \*\*\*\* (Reviews Hub)

<https://www.safecutlery.com/>

REGIONAL PREMIERE

CHARACTER

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 15:15 (16:15)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

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REGIONAL PREMIERE

CHARACTER

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Time: 15:00 (16:00)

Venue: The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



JESTERS DUBLIN in Assoc with Furthest From The Sea

**ACOMEDYTAPAS**

ACOMEDYTAPAS is fast paced fun in short order from too many comics to count. Returning for the 4th year to LCF. Punters and comics love the speed & fun. You will see a mix of local acts and folks with gigs at the festival. Will you like all 12 acts? No. That is part of the fun. The banter over pints after is part of the fun. Come. You will enjoy yourself.

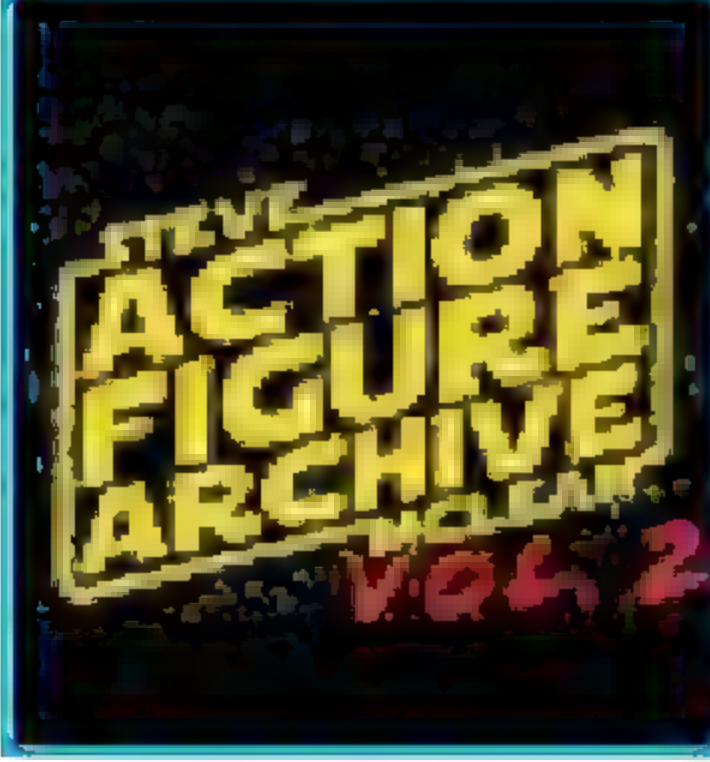
MIXED BILL

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Time: Fri & Sat 17:30 (18:30) | Sun 15:00 (16:00)

Venue: Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: £6



Jokes On Us Present

**ACTION FIGURE ARCHIVE VOL 2 WITH STEVE MCLEAN**

McLean is back with another volume of Action Figure Archive. More laughs at the toys of your youth. More Star Wars! More Transformers! More Weird Ponies! The first show was a hit with both audience and critics. 'A hilarious walk down memory lane' (Herald). 'A fun examination of nostalgia and nerdiness' (Wired). Geeks and nerds unite in this fun show. It also made several top-ten lists. Expect more of the same. Not a kids show.

<https://www.facebook.com/SteveMcLeanComedy>

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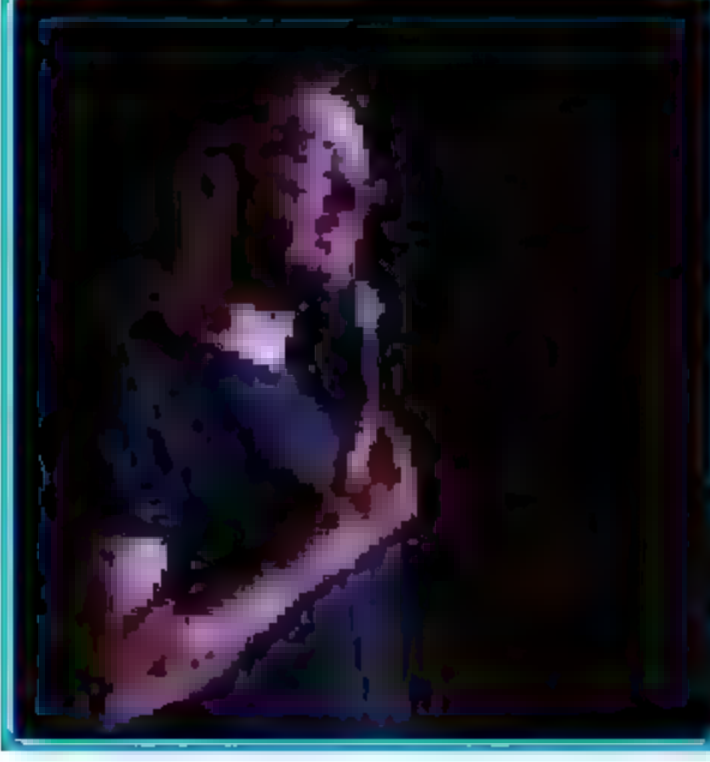
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 16:45 (17:45)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us presents

**ADAM BEARDSMORE: SO IT GOES (WIP)**

As heard on Radio 4, for BBC New Act 2018 & 2019, Adam is working out another hour of stand up comedy. Combining jokes, stories and crowd interaction, he will run you through all the ways he is trying not to melt down on a day to day basis. "So funny! He has the ability to make anything work and people have a great time!" - Josh Pugh (Mock the Week, Comedy Central Live)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

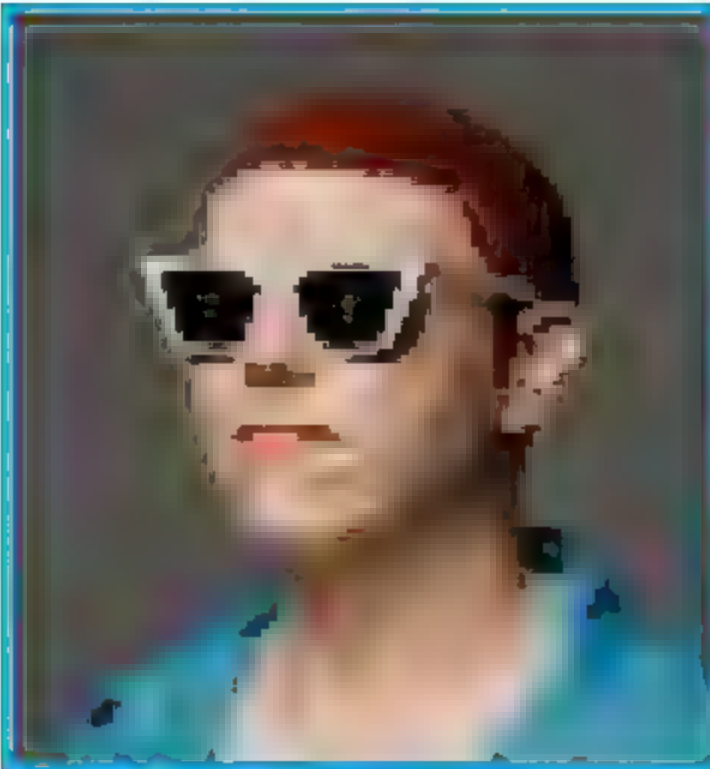
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Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



**ADAM FLOOD: CLAYHEAD REMOLDED**

'Ay up, it's me (fella doing the show). Look, it's gonna be good I reckon. Critics are already calling it 'how did you get this email' and 'unsubscribe'. Winner Bath Festival New Comedian of the Year 2022, Nominee Best Edinburgh Show Amused Moose Awards 2022, & BBC New Comedy Award nominee 2019. "Clayhead" was an award nominated W.I.P show in 2022. This showing is Adam's debut hour, remolded from that show, so this will be better, right?



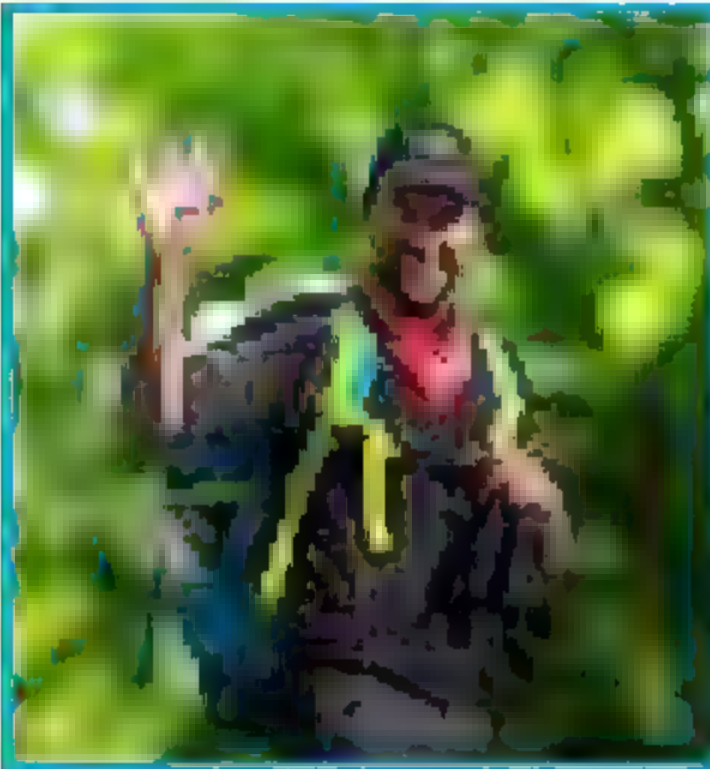
STAND UP

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Time: 21:15 (22:15)

Venue: The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want

**ADAM LARTER: \*CRICKET NOISES\***

Adam has set off for the wilderness, determined to find meaning in solitude, embracing a new life of nothing but moss covered rocks and the sound of crickets. This is the new show from prolific cardboard clown and head of award winning Weirdos Comedy (nominated for Best Show at LCF 2022 & 2021).

WORLD PREMIERE



THEATRE, ALTERNATIVE

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 (£3)



Jokes On Us Present

**ADELE CLIFF DOES HER BEST AND TRIES NEW THINGS OUT (IN PROGRESS)**

Adele brings all her very best new jokes, ideas and wisdom to Leicester. The star of many a best joke list (Dave's Jokes of the Edinburgh Fringe 2019, '18, '17 and '16, The Telegraph, i Newspaper, Evening Standard, Irish Times) and a the 2020 winner of UK Pun Championships presents all her hopefully future award winning thoughts! \*\*\*\*\* "Guaranteed Laughs" - The Student Newspaper "A consummate jokesmith" - British Comedy Guide

WORLD PREMIERE



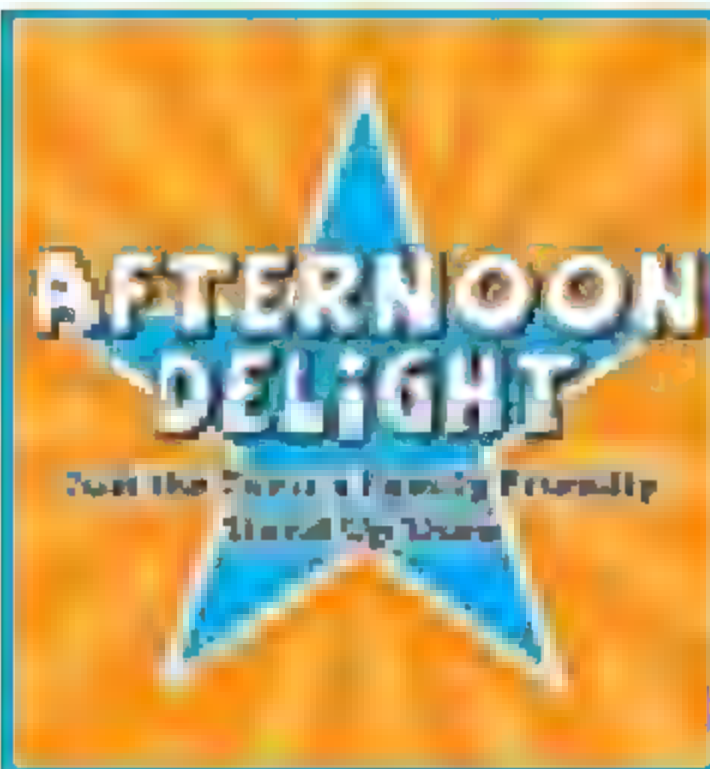
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 21:15 (22:15)

Venue: The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Just the Tonic presents

**AFTERNOON DELIGHT - JUST THE TONIC'S FAMILY STAND UP SHOW**

Just the Tonic Comedy Club presents a family friendly (swears and dodgy stuff removed) one of our fine mixed bill line ups. As one of the leading comedy clubs in the country and Leicesters regular comedy night, we are offering families the chance to all laugh together Please check [www.justthetonic.com](http://www.justthetonic.com) for line ups nearer the time. 'Consistently boasting the most interesting line ups in the country' (The Times).

[www.justthetonic.com](http://www.justthetonic.com)



FAMILY, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 15:30 (17:00)

Venue: Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall Map Ref: 27

Entry: £10 (£5)



Jokes on Us Present

**AFTERNOON JOKES ON US**

Not sure who to see? Jokes On Us are proud to present an afternoon showcase of some of our favourite acts appearing at this year's festival to help you make up your mind! Join compere Alex Hylton (Winner Best Show Leicester Comedy Festival 2020) as he hosts this daytime delight. You'll see a range of acts performing short snippets of their shows to help you decide who to see. And it gets better... It's Pay What You Want! The Joke's On Us!



MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 13:00 (14:00)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Avalon Presents

**AHIR SHAH: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Double Edinburgh Comedy Award 'Best Show' nominee Ahir Shah is one of the fastest-rising comedians of his generation and is known for his sharp, intellectual brand of stand-up featuring a blend of philosophical inquiry, political vigour, and sweet gags. A regular on TV and radio, Ahir has had appearances on Live At The Apollo, Have I Got News for You and Mock the Week.

[www.ahirshah.com/](http://www.ahirshah.com/)



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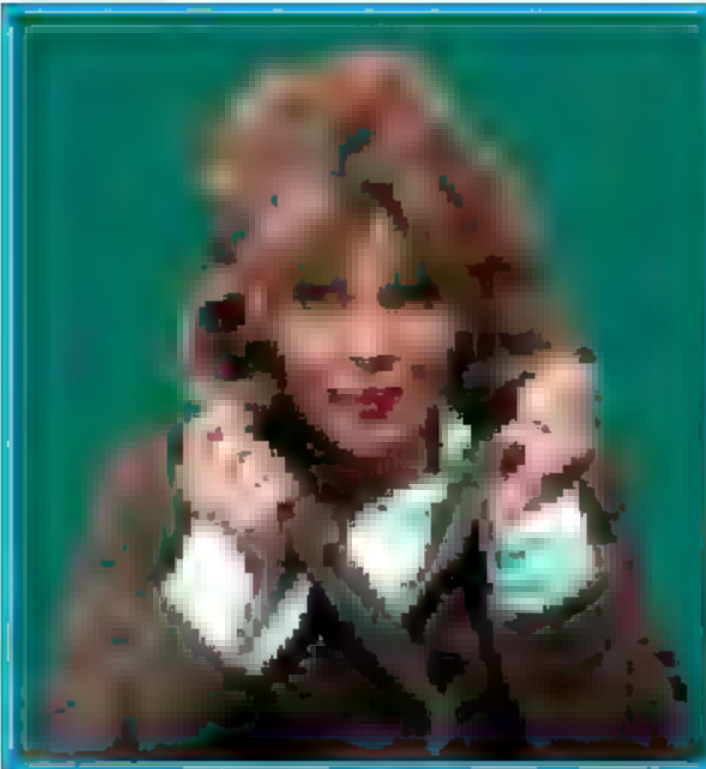
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Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want





Monster Comedy Presents

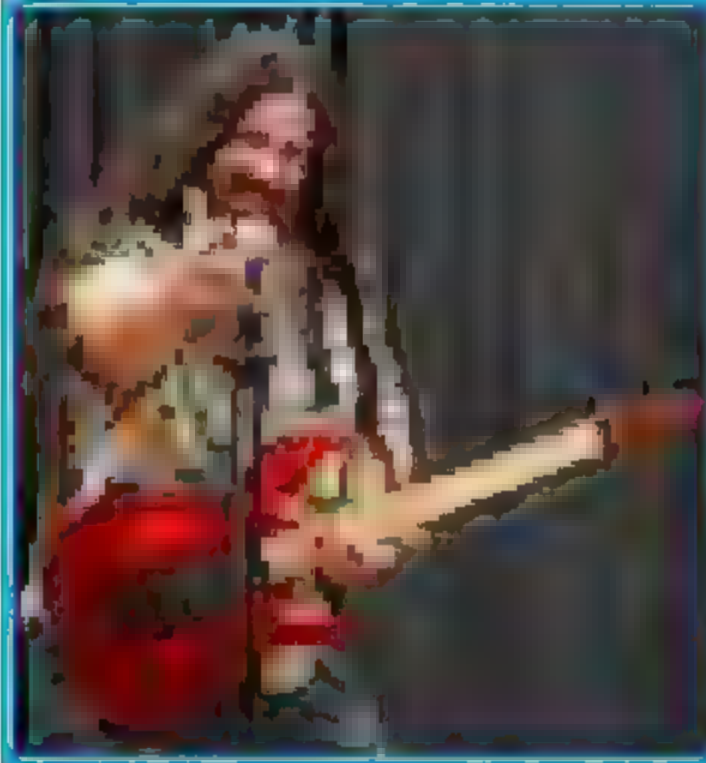
**AIDEEN MCQUEEN: SUGAR BABY**

"Sexy, sassy and above all funny, McQueen is the hottest Irish comic for years," Telegraph Do you want to quit your job and live a life of luxury? Do you like to drink all day? Do you like to have sex with unsuitable men? Then this is the show for you. Has she got some stories ... "Just so funny," Irish Times This is the tale of how a day-drinking primary school teacher changed her life.

[www.aideenmcqueen.com](http://www.aideenmcqueen.com)

STAND UP, CABARET

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 20:30 (21:30)
Venue: King Richard III	Map Ref: 29															Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want				



Furthest from the Sea presents

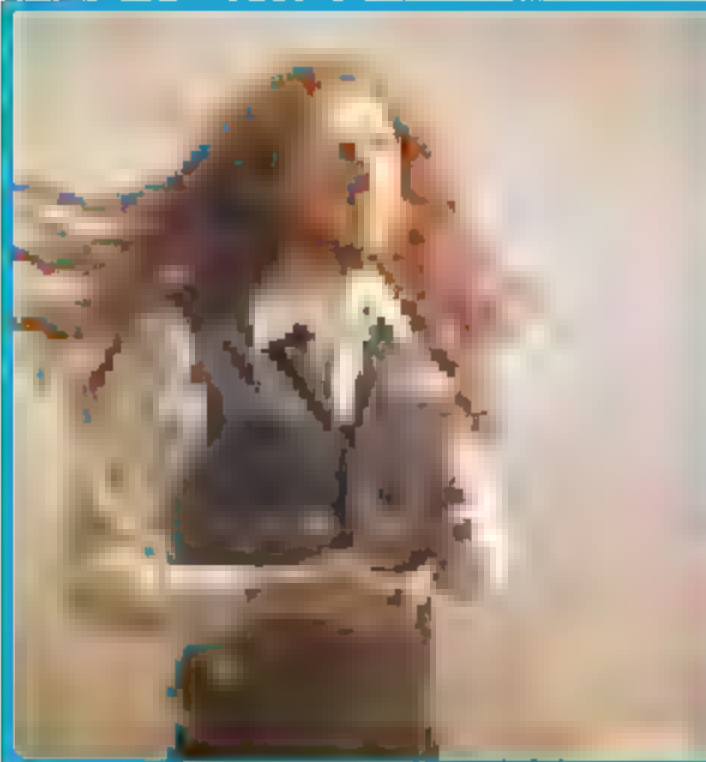
**AL GRANT'S FAKE ALBUM LAUNCH PARTY**

Music, Magic and Mayhem with a Guitar. You are not getting the "Disco Musical of Breaking Bad" this year. That's planned for next year. You like his songs - You think he's Dave Sausage Grohl. No you love his songs. Bring your money - There's very little merch left! "Rasputin On Crack" - James Payton 29 May 2022 (not Kevin Eldon).

[www.furthestfromthesea.co.uk](http://www.furthestfromthesea.co.uk)

STAND UP, MAGIC

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 20:30 (21:30)
Venue: Knight & Garter	Map Ref: 30																			Entry: £5 (£2)



Big Difference present

**ALASDAIR BECKETT-KING: CHILDREN'S BOOK READING**

Join 2017 winner of Leicester Mercury Comedian Of The Year, Alasdair Beckett-King, as he shares his debut children's book: 'Montgomery Bonbon: Murder at the Museum'.

"A brilliantly funny young murder mystery from a rising stand-up comedian, podcaster and filmmaker - and exciting new talent in children's fiction"

[ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)

CHILDREN'S, STORYTELLING

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 14:00 (15:00)
Venue: Fox Books	Map Ref: 21															Entry: FREE				



**ALASDAIR BECKETT-KING: KING OF CRUMBS (WIP)**

A work in progress show from the crumbliest comedian in the game. King of Crumbs, Lord of Dust and Viscount of the Inconsequential, ABK will try his best to tell some new jokes - and the best can do no more. As seen on Mock the Week immediately before the BBC cancelled it. \*\*\*\*\* "An absolute treasure trove" (Chortle) "Either a genius or a very silly man" (Rolling Stone)

[abeckettking.com](http://abeckettking.com)

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 18:30 (19:30)
Venue: The Big Difference	Map Ref: 45															Entry: £6 (£4)				



Jokes On Us

**ALASTAIR CLARK: LIVING MY BEST LIFE**

Everything is terrible and it's only getting worse... Let's tell some jokes. Societal collapse and ecological destruction feel imminent, but Alastair is finally happy. How? Why? Imagine Sartre did stand up, but mainly about his dick. A new hour of funnies from comedy's most optimistic nihilist. "Genuine talent" The Skinny. "Leftish whimsy" FringePig. "Heartwarming" Broadway Baby.

STAND UP, SOLD SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 16:30 (17:30)
Venue: The Exchange Bar	Map Ref: 48															Entry: FREE				



Jokes on Us Present

**ALCOHOL FREE COMEDY CLUB**

A mixed bill of our favourite comedians, handpicked from across the festival to perform in this one-night-only showcase. Love comedy but hate the hangover? Fancy a night out, but without the rowdy backdrop? This midweek treat is the show for you. Gray's Cafe will be open with a selection of mocktails, good food and plenty of belly laughs for everyone to enjoy.

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 19:30 (21:00)
Venue: Grays@LCB Depot	Map Ref: 23														Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want					





NCF &amp; Late Stage Comedy present

**ALEX FARROW: NEW IDEAS**

New Ideas is the new stand-up comedy show in 2023 from Alex Farrow. His philosophy-themed solo comedy shows have sold out at the Edinburgh Fringe in 2019 and 2021. 'Practically perfect' \*\*\*\*\* (Scotsman). 'laugh out loud' \*\*\*\* (EdinburghGuide.com). 'Packs a philosophical punch' \*\*\*\*\* (Student). Featured in The Times as part of A Bloke Called Dave's Best Jokes of the Fringe 2021. As heard on BBC Radio 4 extra

[www.alexfarrow.com](http://www.alexfarrow.com)**WORLD PREMIERE**

STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £6



NCF &amp; Late Stage Comedy present

**ALEX FARROW: PHILOSOPHY MACHINE**

Philosophy Machines is the new stand-up comedy show in 2022 from Alex Farrow. His philosophy-themed solo comedy shows have sold out at the Edinburgh Fringe in 2019 and 2021. 'An hour of laugh-out-loud, cerebral silliness' \*\*\*\* (EdinburghGuide.com). 'Packs a philosophical punch' \*\*\*\*\* (Student). Featured in The Times as part of A Bloke Called Dave's Best Jokes of the Fringe 2021. As heard on BBC Radio 4 extra

[www.alexfarrow.com](http://www.alexfarrow.com)**REGIONAL PREMIERE**

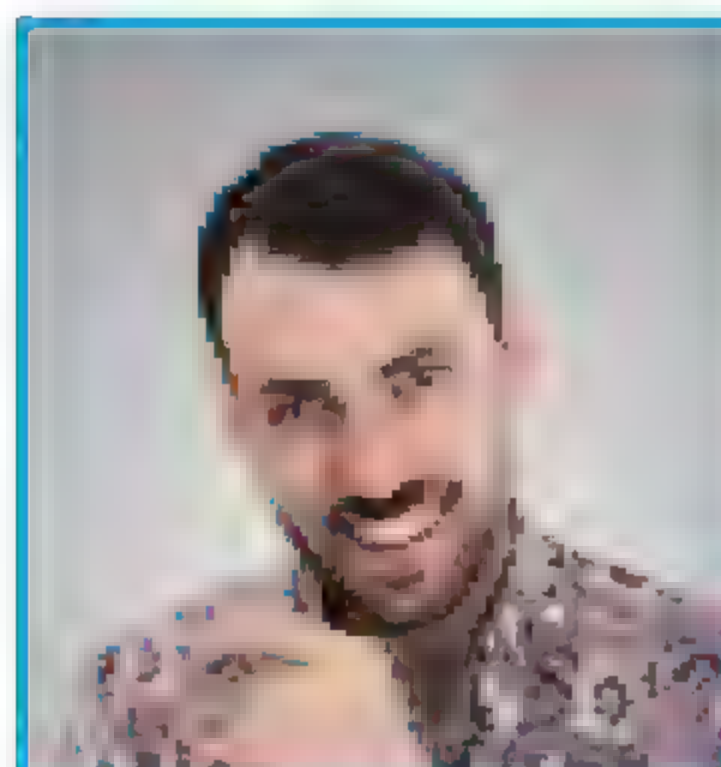
STAND UP, HISTORICAL

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Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5



Jokes on Us Present

**ALEX HYLTON: PERFORMER**

A brand-new show from winner of 'Best Show' at Leicester Comedy Festival 2020, Alex Hylton. He's been doing stand-up for a 3rd of his life. he's lost relationships, given up a job and risked everything for the stage. But where does the stage end, and real life begin? Find out in this hour of honest, confessional stand-up. 'Hylton takes charge of a room, fluent and funny storytelling is second nature to this comic' - Wee Review

**WORLD PREMIERE**

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Furthest from the Sea in association with Provocateur Comedy presents

**ALEX LEAM: IMPROV PROVOCATEUR**

'This was such good fun, a lovely team, new games, actual physical danger! See it, Play it, Love it!' (Tony Slattery). 'Fast-paced improv fun, with real candles' (The Write Angle). Improv Provocateur is the panel show that has improv, stand-up and acts from the festival getting burned with large candles. Imagine Who's Line but with much higher stakes. The much sort after 'handsome certificate' for the winner. Humiliation for the loser.

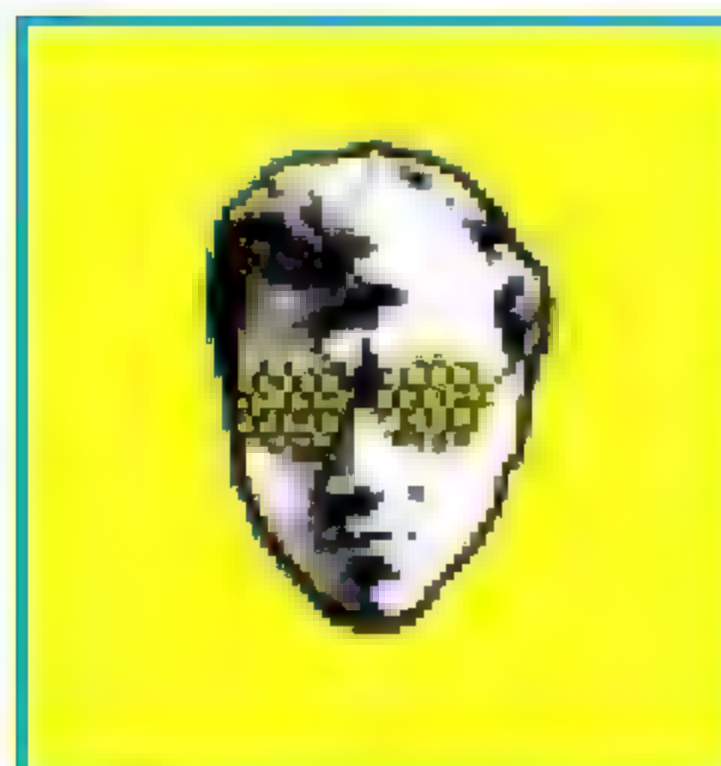
IMPROV, STAND UP

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Time: 15:00 (16:00) &amp; 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Knight &amp; Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: £5



Furthest from the Sea in association with Provocateur Comedy presents

**ALEX LEAM: JOY OF DECKS, THE LAST DANCE!**

FINAL EVER PERFORMANCE. Before he became a stand-up, Alex Leam's first showbiz career was as a mobile DJ. He dreamed of Ibiza but ended up doing weddings. He came out of DJ retirement as he needed new material. Expect to have your favourite songs ruined. Leicester Comedy Festival Award nominee for Best Music Show 2022. 'Alex Leam is very dangerous, in a good way' (Tony Slattery). 'A winning line in self-deprecation' (Chortle.co.uk)

STAND UP, MUSICAL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 22:00 (23:00)

Venue: Knight &amp; Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: £5



Furthest from the Sea in association with Provocateur Comedy presents

**ALEX LEAM: NOW 40!**

How does a former DJ turned Stand Up comedian cope with a landmark birthday? Well...Music! A stand up show about hitting the Big Four-Oh, from a man who isn't feeling his age. 'Alex Leam is very dangerous, in a good way' (Tony Slattery). 'A winning line in self-deprecation' (Chortle.co.uk) 'This is what you want, a comedian making your face ache and tears roll from your eyes. Alex is brilliant!' (Ed Fringe Audience Review 2022)

STAND UP, MUSICAL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Knight &amp; Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: £5





NCF & Late Stage Comedy present

**ALEX MITCHELL: THE HOLY TRINITY**

Alex Mitchell is one of the most exciting young comics around. Growing up gay, autistic and disabled brings a unique set of challenges, but a unique set of stories and takes on the world as well. The stories flow as easy as the laughs and the pints when Alex takes to the mic. So enjoy as he explores finding your place in the world when your shape doesn't quite fit any. Supported by Sam Cartwright

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:

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Time: 22:00 (23:00)

Venue: Kayal

Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5



**ALEXANDER BENNETT: I DON'T CARE FOR THE MAN MYSELF**

A show about hating yourself and, amongst other things, choosing not to. Alexander is a member of LCF award nominees Consignia, the creator of cult hit game show Hell To Play and the new podcast Born Yesterday "Passionate and praiseworthy dark observational comedy" The Skinny "Courageous and thought-provoking" The Scotsman "Sharp interpretations of the world around him add a sinister spin to the everyday - Unique and hilarious" The Reviews Hub

[www.alexanderbennettcomedian.com/](http://www.alexanderbennettcomedian.com/)

STAND UP, ALTERNATIVE

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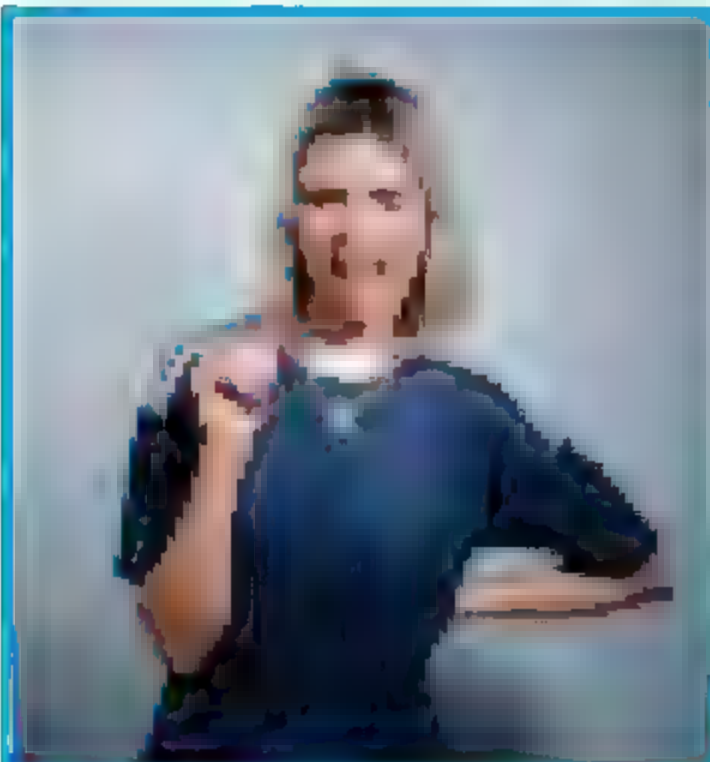
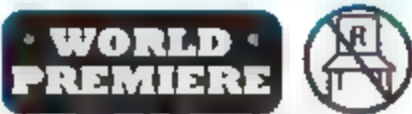
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Time: 16:30 (17:30)

Venue: Firebug

Map Ref: TBC

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Avalon Presents

**ALEXANDRA HADDOW: NOT MY FINEST HOUR (WIP)**

Alexandra Haddow isn't quite sure what she wants yet, but that's ok, because she's only 18. In her head. Join her as she talks you through her (expert) decisions in life, love, sex, friendships, babies, family, (lack of proper) work and why she still has no idea what Nectar points are despite being legally classed as 'in her 30s'. 'One of the most exciting new acts on the circuit.' - Frankie Boyle

[twitter.com/MissAHaddow](https://twitter.com/MissAHaddow)

STAND UP

DATES:

08091011121314151617181920212223242526

Time: 16:00 (17:00)

Venue: Duffy's Bar

Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Alexis Dubus presents

**ALEXIS DUBUS: 3-STAR SHOW (WIP)**

After 20 years on the circuit Alexis is ready to deliver the greatest 3-star comedy experience ever staged. Don't miss this explosively average show from an award-nominated performer truly at the middle of his game. As seen as a waiter in Derek (C4), an idiot in Nathan Barley (C4) and '3 Of 63' in Red Dwarf XI (Dave). "Can write some strong lines" \*\*\* Chortle. "Too clever" \*\*\* The List. "Puts the audience almost too much at ease" \*\*\* BroadwayBaby

[www.alexisdubus.com](http://www.alexisdubus.com)

SOLO SHOW

DATES:

08091011121314151617181920212223242526

Time: 18:30 (19:25)

Venue: The Big Difference

Map Ref: 45

Entry: £5



Jokes On Us Present

**ALF: THE BEST/WORST ONE-LINER COMEDIAN EVER**

After discovering a video of himself performing comedy on TikTok had gone viral with the caption 'The Best / Worst One Liner Comedian ever', Alf sets out to see if he can be both of those things at the same time. Expect 60 minutes of New and Old songs, One Liners galore, Massive Cardboard Props and the general stupidity that Alf usually brings to his shows. As seen on Britains Got Talent & UK Pun Championships, "A Very funny man" - David Walliams

STAND UP, ALTERNATIVE

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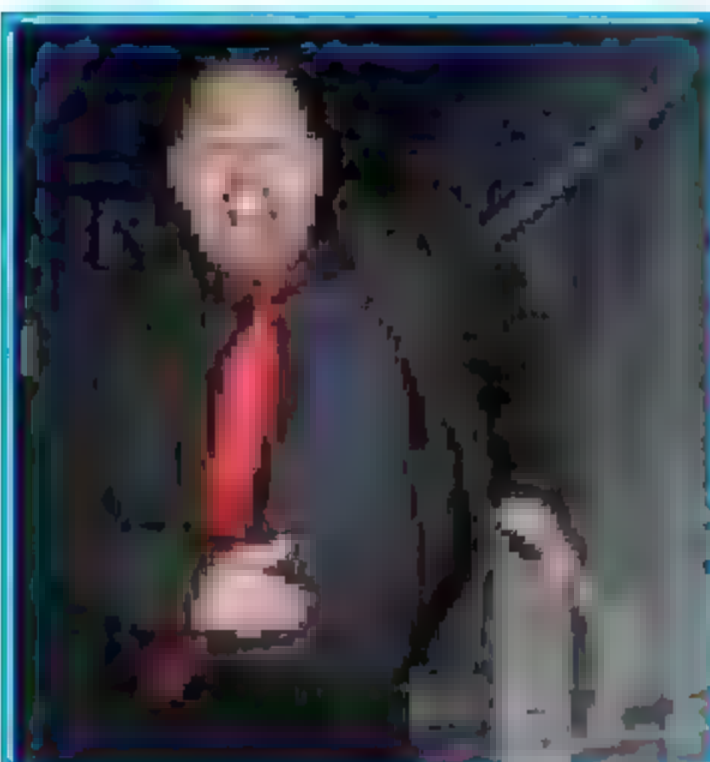
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Time: 17:50 (18:50)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot

Map Ref: 23

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Blue Light Comedy presents

**ALFIE MOORE: FAIR COP UNLEASHED**

Fair Cop Unleashed is based on a dramatic real-life incident from Alfie's police case book. Enjoy the thrilling ups and downs of the night a mysterious clown came to town and more than one life ended up in the balance. It was no laughing matter - but this show certainly is. It'd be a crime to miss it!

[www.alfiemoore.com](http://www.alfiemoore.com)

SOLO SHOW, STORYTELLING

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Time: 19:30 (20:30)

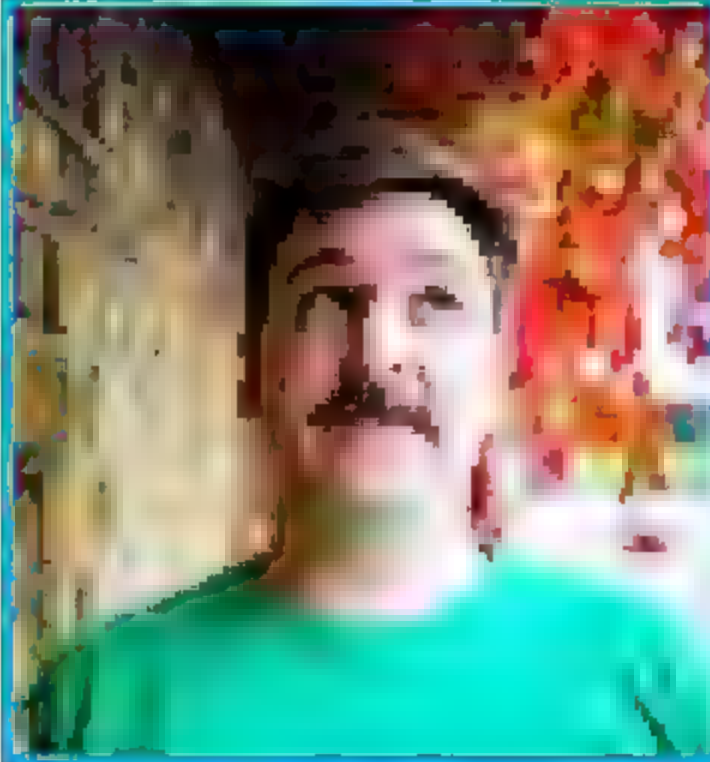
Venue: Black Horse

Map Ref: 9

Entry: £12







Glorious Management, TripleCeePee and the Leicester Comedy Festival Rising Star Initiative present...

WORLD PREMIERE



### ALI BRICE: I'M MORE INTERESTED IN WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY

I have my opinions on the matter, but I'm more interested in what you have to say about it. More daft ideas, silly jokes and heartfelt honesty from "crowd favourite" (British Comedy Guide) Ali Brice as he continues to get to know himself. And you. FIVE STARS "The only comedian I will ever laugh at again." Hilary Napleton FOUR STARS "Ali Brice is funny" The List FOUR STARS "Edgy comic" The Skinny Comedians' Choice Best Show Nominee 2022.

[www.alibrice.com](http://www.alibrice.com)

STAND UP, ALTERNATIVE

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 15:15 (16:00)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: TBC

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



### ALICE FRICK: THE ANTI SELF-HELP SHOW

REGIONAL PREMIERE



Good things will happen. Maybe not to you, but they will happen! Award-winning Austrian comedian, Alice Frick, has tried out every piece of self-help advice available and is now the Anti Self-Help expert! In this show you will learn why it's good to not face your fear, how to say yes (and no) and what to do when you find out your inner child is a grumpy teenager.

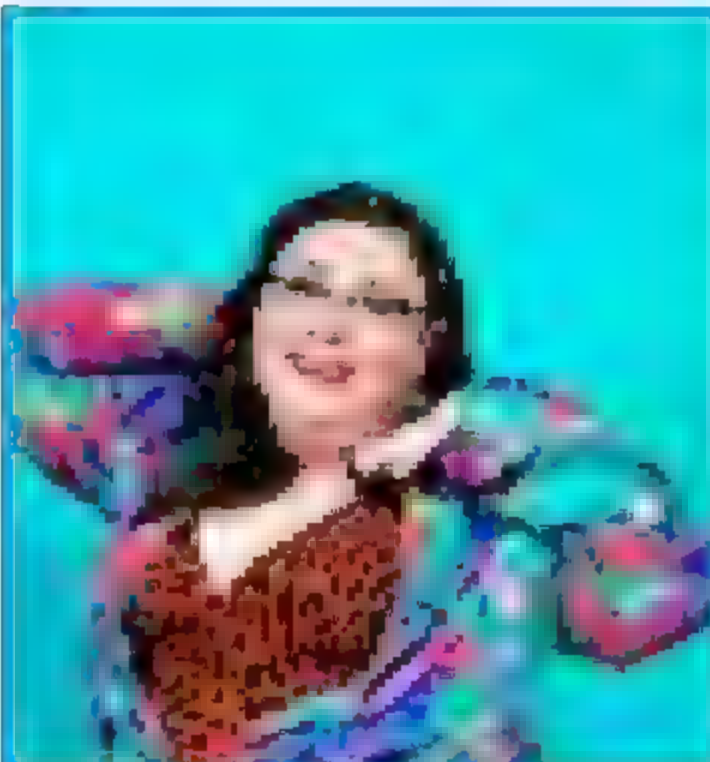
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £8 (£6)



Ebdon Management Presents

### ALISON SPITTLE: WET

REGIONAL PREMIERE



Alison Spittle, fresh from being voted one of the best rated shows at The Edinburgh Fringe, brings her sellout show to Leicester. Alison loves to do star jumps in the water. She also likes to watch people fight in chip shops. Her two worlds collide as a fight breaks out in aqua-aerobics and she's never felt so alive. \*\*\*\*\* Pow Showbiz, \*\*\*\*\* One4Review \*\*\*\*\* The Skinny \*\*\*\*\* Broadway baby \*\*\*\*\* The List \*\*\*\*\* Entertainment Now

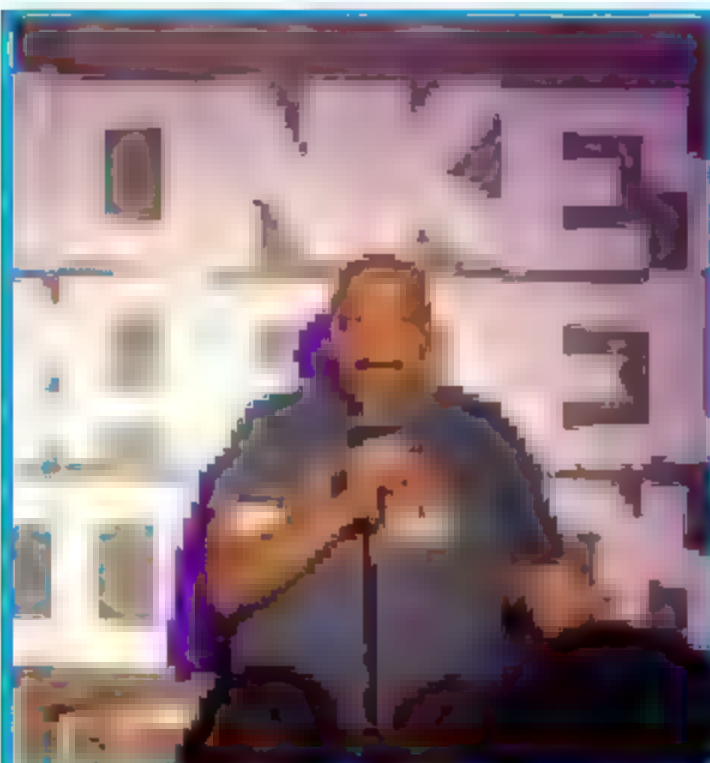
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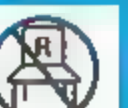
Entry: £10 (£9)



TripleCeePee present

### ALWIN SOLANKY: ELECTRIC DREAMS

WORLD PREMIERE



Alwin Solanky, wig aficionado and animal mask enthusiast, returns to Leicester for his fourth show, Electric Dreams. He explores his own and others' pasts - taking a unique slant on both the present and the future. Alwin is a member of the award winning Wierdos collective and Leicester Comedy Festival nominated Consignia.

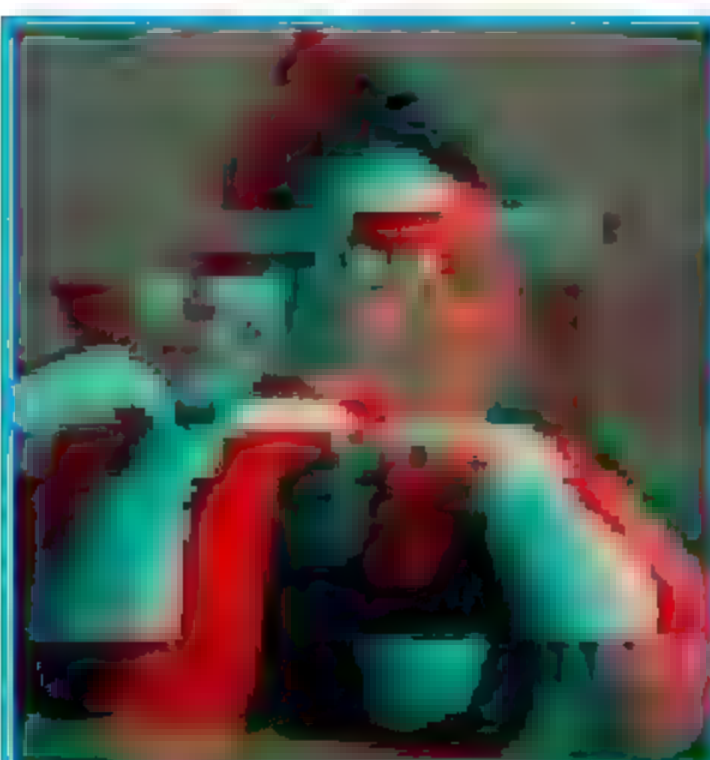
ALTERNATIVE, SOLO SHOW

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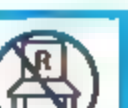
Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £4 advance or Pay What You Want



Take Aim

### AMY ANNETTE: KEEPING IT TIGHT (WIP)



Amy Annette is a nice girl - who's just trying to keep it tight (whatever that means). This is a work-in-progress-debut-show from Amy, who's been tour support for Lou Sanders, show support for Rose Matafeo, is the host of What Women\* Want (podcast/live show/cult), guest on your favourite podcasts (unless your favourite is Serial - no crimes committed as yet), and was featured as part of C4's The Paddock. Phew!

[amyannette.net](http://amyannette.net)

STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Furthest from the Sea presents

### AN ASIAN OCCASION



Last year's sell out show is back as Rahul Somia presents some of the best comics of Asian origin in the UK.

[www.furthestfromthesea.co.uk](http://www.furthestfromthesea.co.uk)

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: £7.50





**AN AUDIENCE WITH ARTHUR SMITH**

AN EVENING OF SUBLINE PLAYFULNESS, CRAMMED WITH JOKES, ANECDOTES, SHORT STORIES, POEMS, CELEBRITY GOSSIP AND SONGS (AT LEAST 1 FROM LEONARD COHEN)


SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £10



**AN AUDIENT WITH ROBIN GRAINGER**

ROBIN GRAINGER DID THE EDINBURGH FRINGE LAST YEAR. ON THE OPENING NIGHT, HE ONLY SOLD ONE TICKET AND DID SHOW. WITHIN A WEEK, THE STORY WAS GLOBALLY VIRAL. COME AND HEAR ALL ABOUT IT. FEATURED IN 60+ NEWS AND MEDIA OUTLETS WORLDWIDE, EVERY MAJOR RADIO STATION AND RECOMMENDED BY KEVIN BRIDGES AND IAIN STIRLING. OVER 1 MILLION PAGE VIEWS ON THE BBC WEBSITE. "IT WAS EVERY GOOD THING IT SHOULD BE" (KATE COPSTICK, COMEDY CRITIC, THE SCOTSMAN)

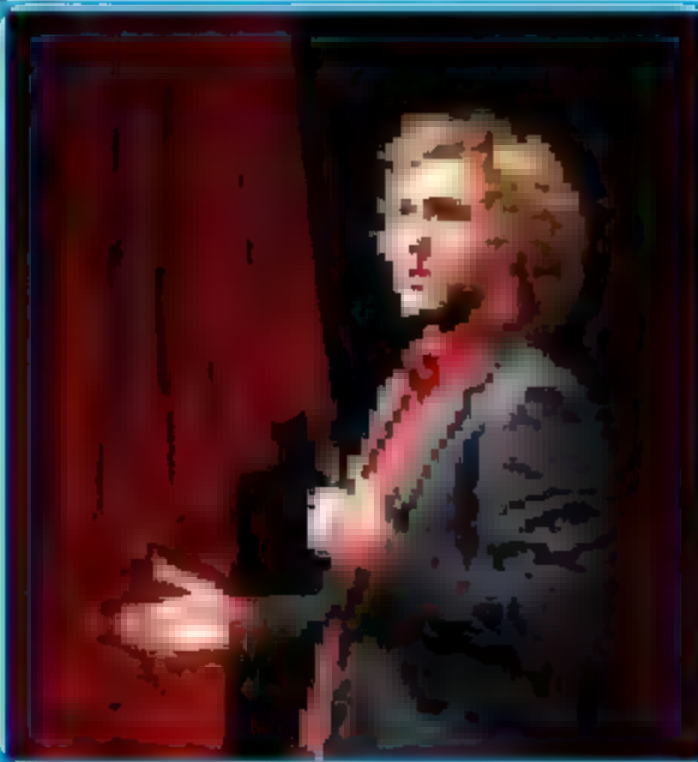
WORLD PREMIERE

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 18:30 (19:30)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £5



Big Difference present

**AN INTERVIEW WITH SEANN WALSH**

CHARMING AND CHARISMATIC, A NATURAL MOTOR-MOUTH, SEANN WALSH IS THE MOST FRIGHTENINGLY PRECOCIOUS TALENT TO EMERGE FROM THE UK COMEDY CIRCUIT IN AGES. A PREVIOUS WINNER OF LEICESTER MERCURY COMEDIAN OF THE YEAR, SEANN HAS STARRED IN LIVE AT THE APOLLO, 8 OUT OF 10 CATS & CHATTY MAN. JOIN HIM AS HE CHATS WITH FESTIVAL FOUNDER GEOFF ROWE ABOUT HIS COMEDY CAREER. IN AID OF BIG DIFFERENCE COMPANY (REGISTERED CHARITY 1135167).

DISCUSSION

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 14:00 (15:15)

Venue: Curve Map Ref: 15

Entry: £10



**AN IRISH SOLUTION TO AN IRISH PROBLEM**

AFTER A SELL-OUT RUN AT LAST YEAR'S EDINBURGH FRINGE, EDDIE MULLARKEY IS BACK WITH A NEW SHOW CHRONICLING HIS POST-COVID RECOVERY PROCESS: ADOPTING A RESCUE DOG, GETTING DIAGNOSED WITH ATTENTION DEFICIT DISORDER AND AVOIDING HIS OVERBEARING MOTHER. OBSERVATIONAL COMEDY MIXED WITH STORYTELLING AND TOP-NOTCH CROWD WORK. EXPECT TO BE PART OF THE COMEDY! 'A BRILLIANT TALENT' - (INTERNATIONAL COMEDY CLUB) 'SKILL OF AN OLD PRO' - (THE STUDENT)


STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Lone Wolf productions present

**ANDREW BIRD**

WORK IN PROGRESS. AT TIME OF WRITING THIS (YES I'M WRITING IT) I'VE GOT ABOUT 30 MINUTES OF SOLID STUFF THE REST WILL BE NEW. SO BY FEB IT'LL BE NEARER TO AN HOUR. I'VE GOT A BIT ABOUT MY SON'S SCHOOL PHOTO I LIKE, GOOD BIT ABOUT PEOPLE WHO HAVE A FLAG ON THEIR HOUSE. ANYWAY, ANYWAY COME ALONG IT'LL BE GOOD. RUSSELL HOWARD SUPPORT (SO HE THINKS I'M GOOD) MICHAEL MCINTYRE SUPPORT (ALSO THINKS I'M GOOD SO I MUST BE ALRIGHT)

STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: Black Horse Map Ref: 9

Entry: £7



Off The Kerb Productions present

**ANDREW RYAN: YES, I JUST SAID THAT**

IRISH COMEDIAN ANDREW RYAN AND HOST OF 'CORK IN THE NORTH' PODCAST COMES TO LEICESTER AS PART OF HIS UK & IRELAND TOUR. BACK ON THE ROAD AFTER A TWO YEAR HIATUS WITH A BRAND NEW SHOW 'YES, I JUST SAID THAT' HE HAS SPENT THE LAST FEW YEARS DEALING WITH HIS LACK OF PATIENCE AND HIS INABILITY TO HOLD A STABLE RELATIONSHIP AND HAS COME TO THE CONCLUSION IT'S EVERYONE ELSE'S FAULT. ANDREW HAS FOUND PEACE WITH HIMSELF BY HAVING LOW EXPECTATIONS OF EV

STAND UP

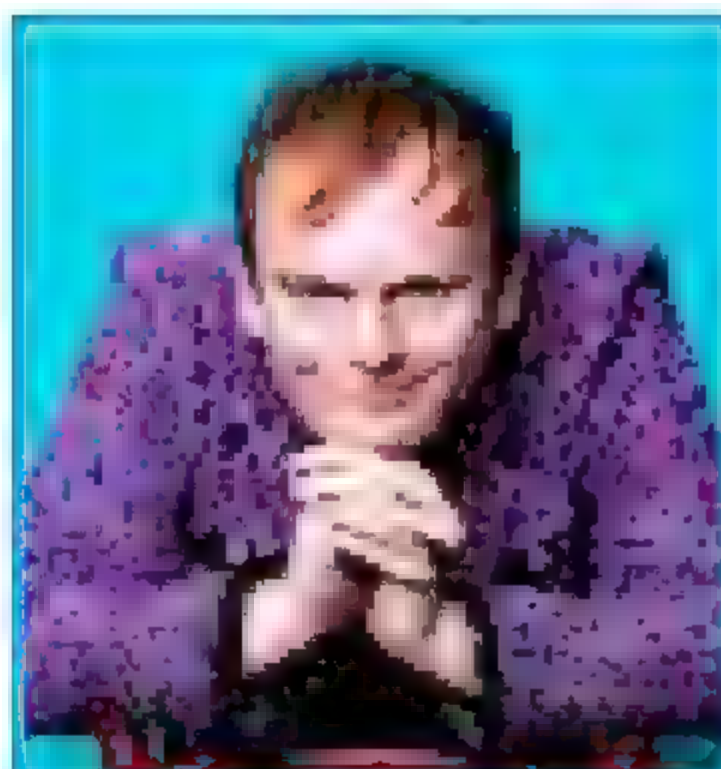
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Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £8





Comedy Kerfuffle Presents...

**ANDREW WHITE: MAN ON MAN (WIP)**

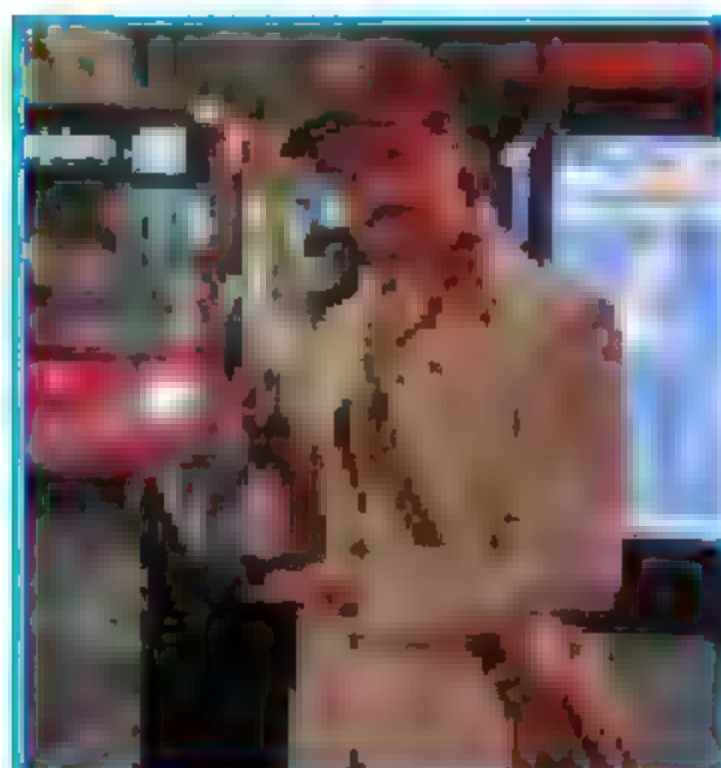
A work-in-progress comedy show all about cocaine fuelled hook-ups, football hooligans, and musical theatre, as Andrew White reckons with his masculinity via the manliest medium of all - sincere autobiographical stand-up. / "Very exciting & very funny" (Joe Lycett) / "Not to be missed" (Daily Record) / \*\*\*\*  
 "Rampantly engaging" (The List)

[www.standupandrew.com](http://www.standupandrew.com)**WORLD PREMIERE****STAND UP, STORYTELLING**DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 **25** 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want

**ANDY BARR: COLLECTED WORKS**

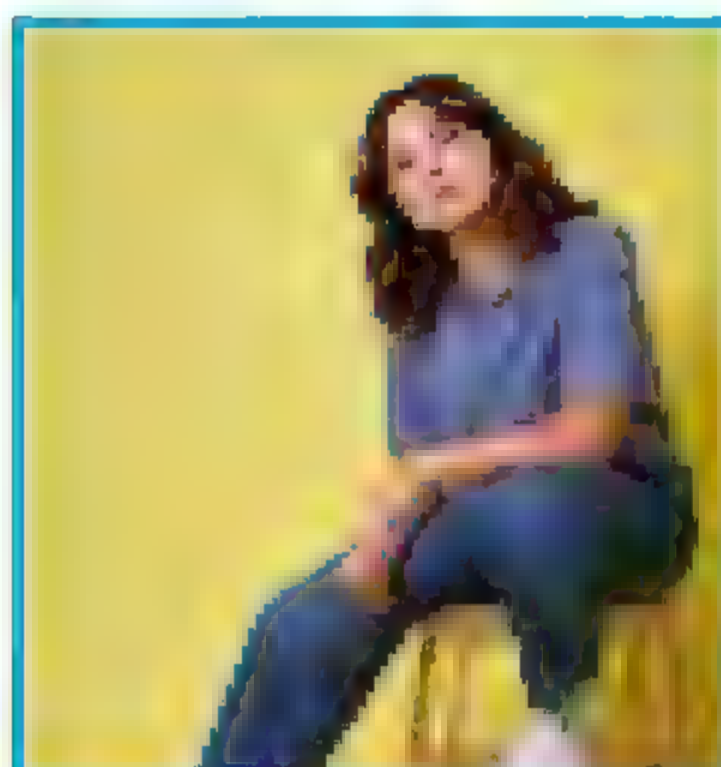
Star of London Live (news, 2017) and Virgin Atlantic in-flight broadcasts, Andy Barr, returns to Leicester with a barnstorming collection of stand-up, mixed-media and mixed-messages. Expect jokes, poetry and thoughts. Andy Barr, has been described as 'off-key delight' (Skinny) whose 'comic timing and gestures are impeccable' \*\*\*\* (List) and an 'Alt-comedy favourite' (Time Out) and is a two-time Best Musical/Improv Show nominee with Consignia.

[www.andybarrcomedy.com](http://www.andybarrcomedy.com)**STAND UP, ALTERNATIVE**DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 **25** 26

Time: 12:30 (13:30)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: TBC

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Avalon Presents

**ANIA MAGLIANO: WORK IN PROGRESS**

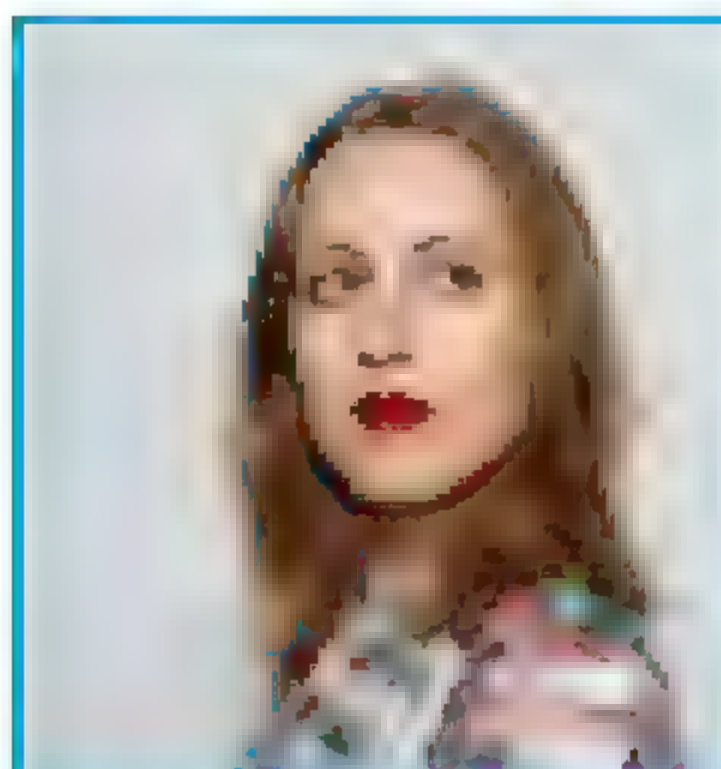
Ania's sharp, wry writing combined with her affable performance style make her a 'glittering new talent' (The i Paper) of the UK comedy scene. Her debut hour of comedy, Ania Magliano: Absolutely No Worries if Not, won Best New Show at Leicester Comedy Festival 2022, and went on to sell out its entire runs at the Edinburgh Fringe and Soho Theatre.

[www.aniamagliano.com/](http://www.aniamagliano.com/)**STAND UP**DATES: 08 09 10 11 **12** 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 16:00 (17:00)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Avalon Presents

**ANNIE MCGRATH: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Annie McGrath is a comedian renowned for her joke writing skills and deadpan style. Described by The Feminist Fringe as "dark and hilarious" \*\*\*\*, Annie's stand-up was selected for Channel 4's Sparks series, as well as Live From Barry Island on BBC Wales. As a comic actor, Annie has also appeared in BBC One's The Outlaws, and Prime Video's The People We Hate at the Wedding. "Hilarious"- EDFRINGE REVIEW \*\*\*\*\* "Spot-on timing"- THREE WEEKS \*\*\*\*

[www.anniemcgrath.com/](http://www.anniemcgrath.com/)**STAND UP**DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 **18** 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 13:00 (14:00)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want

**ANY SUGGESTIONS, DOCTOR? THE IMPROVISED DOCTOR WHO PARODY**

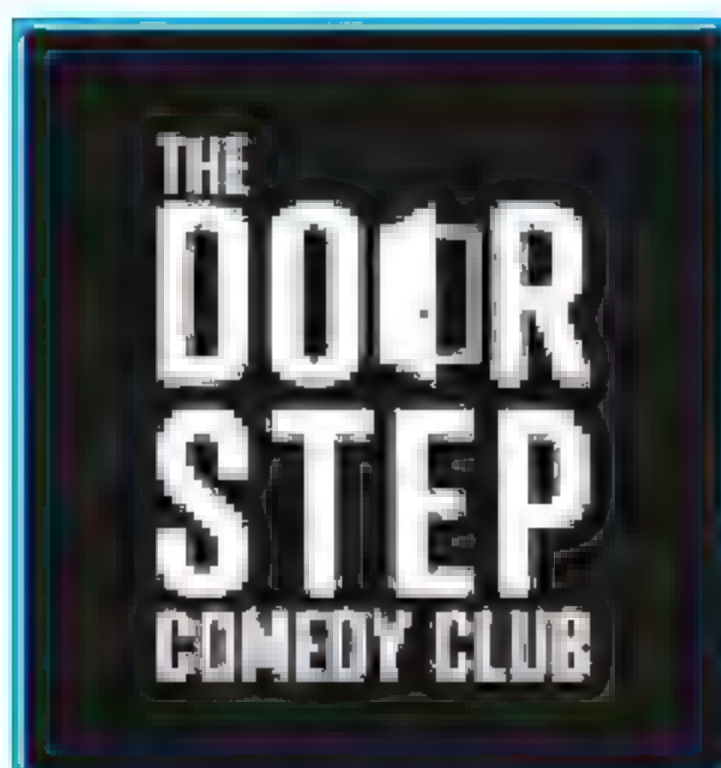
Any Suggestions Improv present award-winning sci-fi silliness! Using your suggestions, a collection of hilarious improv performers will transport you anywhere in time and space with a live radiophonic workshop and a collection of wacky props. 'Laughter so hard the seating shook.' \*\*\*\*\* (One4Review). 'Essential viewing for any fans of improvisation' \*\*\*\*\* (730 Review). 'The Doctor would approve' \*\*\*\* (BroadwayBaby.com).

<https://anysuggestionsimprov.co.uk/>**IMPROV, FAMILY**DATES: 08 09 10 **11** 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 14:30 (15:30)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4

Entry: £10 (£8)



The Doorstep Comedy Club Presents

**ASFORDBY PARISH HALL COMEDY SPECIAL**

Second year running we are returning back to Asfordby after 2022's show was a big success. This time we have Darren Harriott headlining our show (As seen on Live at the Apollo, BBC's News Jack Unplugged and become a regular face on our screens on panel shows such Mock the Week and Don't Hate the Playaz). Musical comedian Christian Reilly is opening the show with Jon Pearson and Harvey Harwkins Completing the line up.

<https://www.thedoorstepcomedyclub.com>**MIXED BILL, STAND UP**DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 **17** 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (23:00)



Venue: Asfordby Parish Hall Map Ref: 3

Entry: £15





**ASIAN INVASION: YBAT COMEDIANS**




As heard on the BBC YBAT (Young British Asian & Talented) are bringing you 5 of the best up and coming British Asian comedians from around the world... well the east midlands. These comedians are Tharun Chelley, Hitz Unadkhat, Jay Sandhu, Tej Dhutia and Zayne Fulat. You will be laughing throughout the show with such a variety of comedy and styles! An event not to be missed.


STAND UP, MIXED BILL


DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 19:30 (20:30)
Venue: The Globe	Map Ref: 50																			Entry: £5

# FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!



There are loads of fun shows and events for children at our UK Kids Comedy Festival! For info and tickets visit: [www.UKKidsComedyFestival.co.uk](http://www.UKKidsComedyFestival.co.uk)

 Follow us on Twitter @KidsComedyFest





**BABATUNDE ALÉSHÉ: BABAHOOD**



Join the multi award winning star of Celebrity Googlebox as he talks family and fatherhood in this highly anticipated debut tour. As seen on Jonathan Ross Comedy Club (ITV1), Rhod Gilbert's Growing Pains (Comedy Central) and Mo Gilligan's Black British & Funny (Channel 4). <https://www.utcartistmanagement.co.uk/artist/babatunde-aleshe/>

SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 20:00 (21:30)
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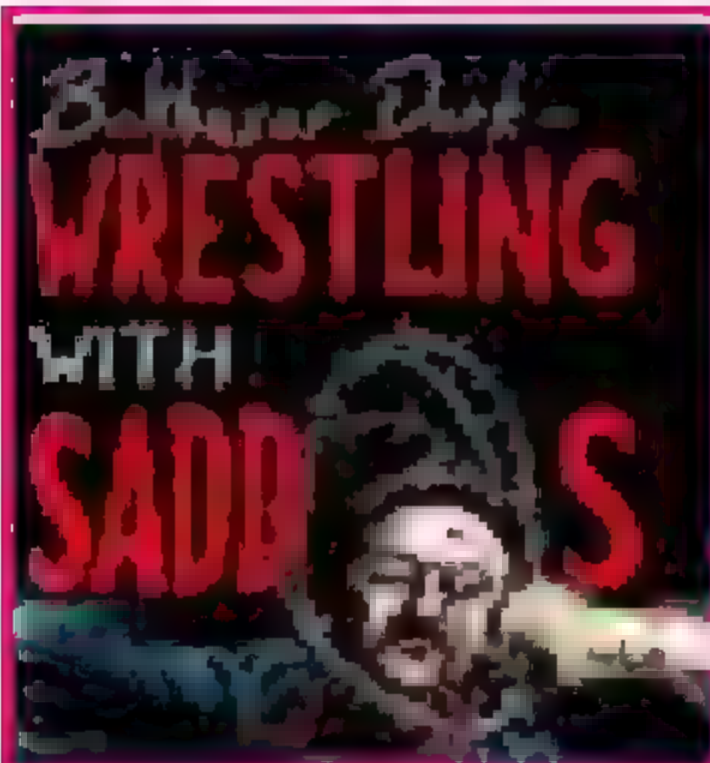
**BAD CLOWNS: INVASION**



For many years the Bureau for Alien Defence has kept the world safe from extra-terrestrial threats. Now a mind-controlling alien has infiltrated Earth. And worst of all, it's taken over one of the audience members. Can our intrepid special agents locate and neutralise this alien before it's too late? \*\*\*\*\* - LondonTheatre1 \*\*\*\*\* - West End Best Friend \*\*\*\*\* - Daily Express \*\*\*\*\* - Broadway Baby \*\*\*\*\* - Threeweeks \*\*\*\*\* - EdFringeReview [www.badclownscomedy.com](http://www.badclownscomedy.com)

THEATRE, INTERACTIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 18:00 (19:00)
Venue: BrewDog	Map Ref: 10																			Entry: £8 (£6)



Late Stage Comedy & NCF present

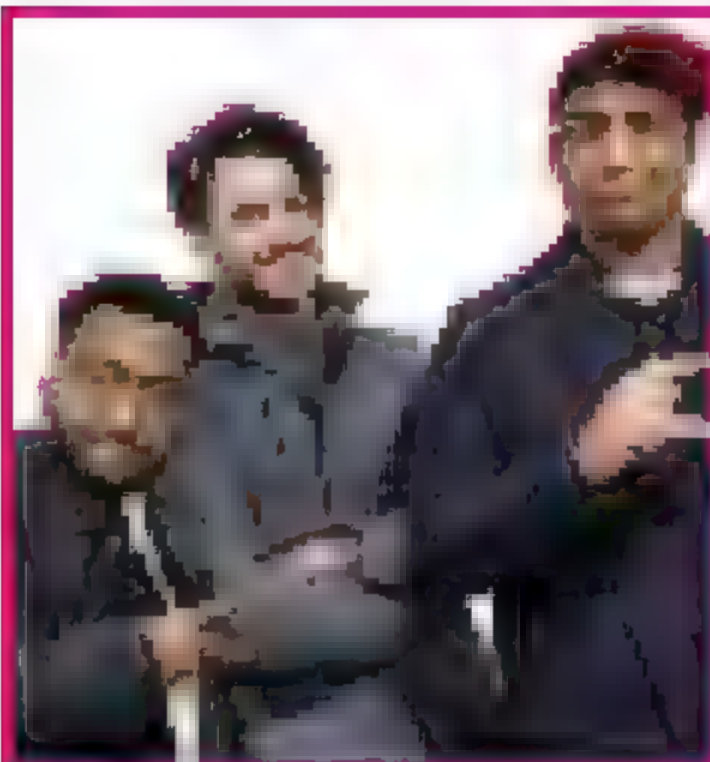
**BALTHAZAR DARK: WRESTLING WITH SADDOS**



Balthazar Dark is the greatest wrestler you've never heard of. Too dangerous to perform in the UK he whiles away his time exposing the seedy underbelly of pro wrestling to comedy audiences. Join him for an hour of career highlights and even more lowlights. 'The future of alternative comedy' Blizzard Comedy

STAND UP, ALTERNATIVE

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Venue: Kayal	Map Ref: 28																			Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Creative Chaos Comedy presents:

**BAME OF MY EXISTENCE**

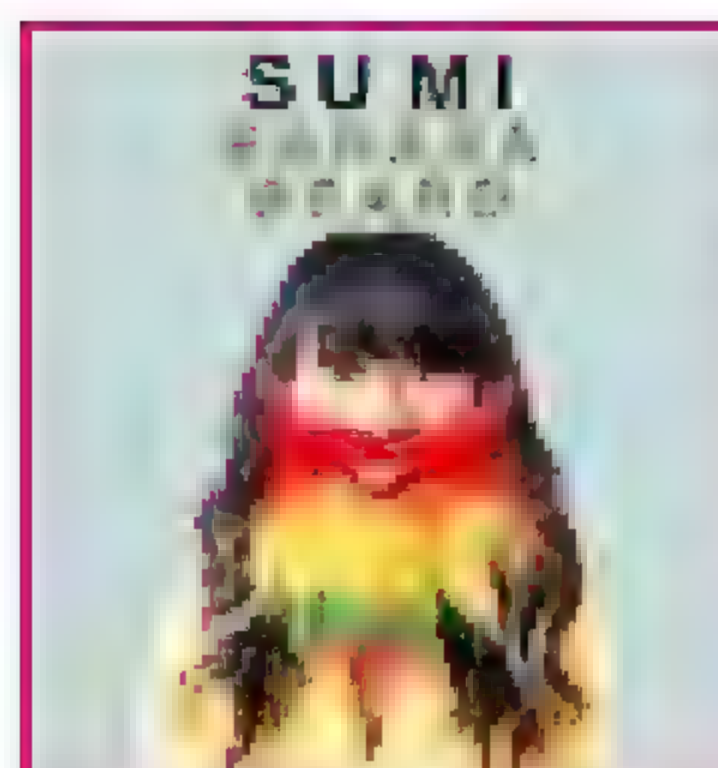


The sell-out show from the last Leicester Comedy Festival makes its grand return! Join Hussein Ali, Chris Cooper, and Zayne Fulat as they reunite to once again bear their hearts, souls and whatever else they have (trust me, they don't have too much else) to put on a show for the ages.

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 19:30 (20:30)
Venue: La Maison	Map Ref: 31																			Entry: £5





### BANANA BEARD (WORK-IN-PROGRESS)

Think it's a Stand up solo show? Think again. This immersive comedy invites you all on a surreal misadventure of absurdist sketch, untamed thrash metal guitar solos and imaginary costumed personas. Expect high energy, wild storytelling and whimsical uplifting nonsense left right and centre. A wild, offbeat and exciting exploration of Stand-up, Musical and Character comedy.

STAND UP, ALTERNATIVE

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Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: The Globe Map Ref: 50

Entry: £7 (£5)



Jokes On Us Presents

### BASEMENT CRAICS

Join Midland Comedy Award winning MC Tommy Tonski as he presents 7 of the best acts from our popular Nottingham open mic night - Basement Craics. There's something special about stand up comedy in a basement and having seen over 100 acts this last year we are proud to bring you a mixture of funniest up and coming comics as well as a couple of brand new acts that absolutely blew us away. Expect a really fun night with the best of Basement Craics.

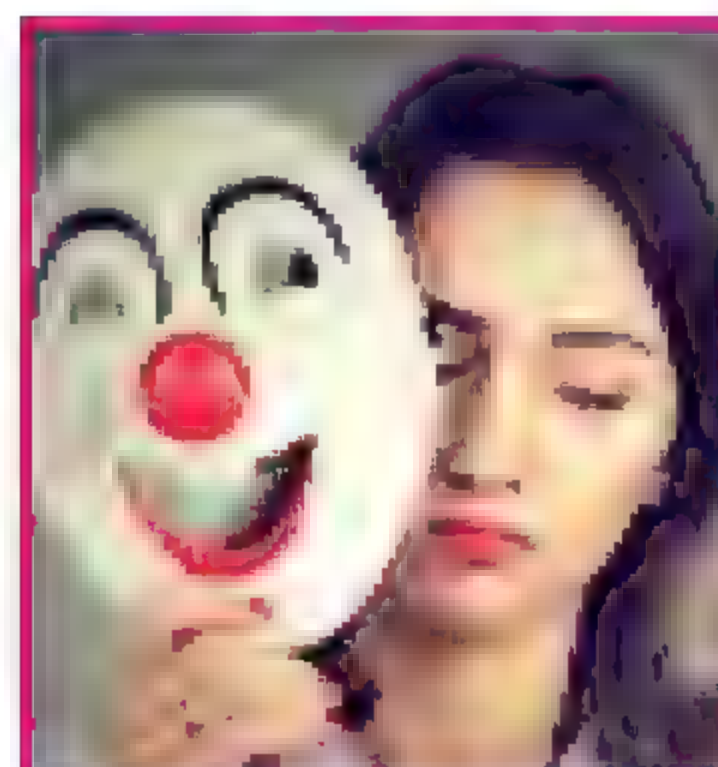
STAND UP, MIXED BILL

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Time: 19:45 (21:45)

Venue: The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



LAMP present

### BEHIND THE SCENES: COMEDY AND MENTAL HEALTH

Comedy & laughter is well known for having a positive effect on mental health, however Mental Health is no laughing matter. Have you ever wondered how comedy affects a comedian's mental health? Join us for an open, honest & insightful discussion around mental health behind the comedy curtain. Join mental health charity Lamp & a panel of comedians to share their own experiences of comedy and the positive & negative impacts on their mental health.

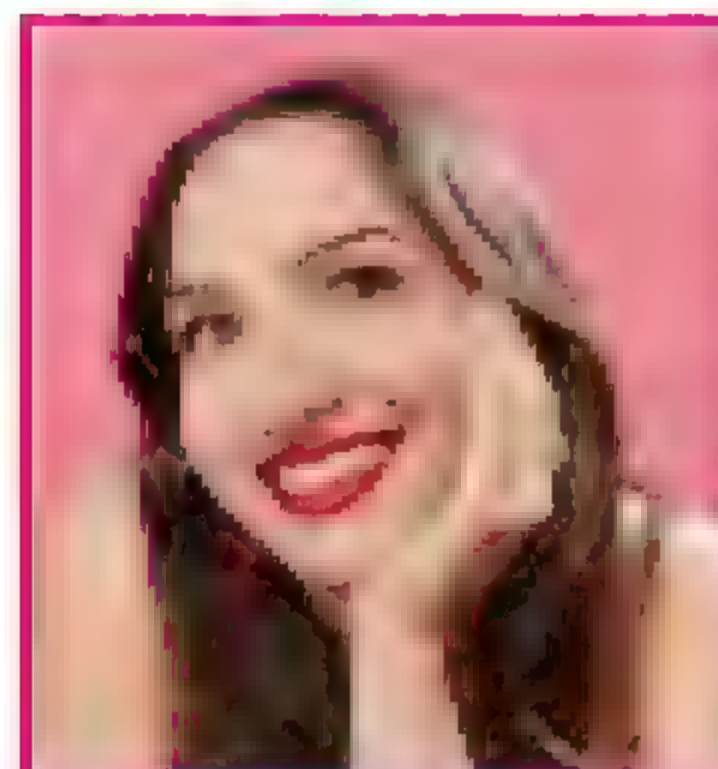
DISCUSSION

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Time: 11:00 (12:00)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE



Avalon Presents

### BELLA HULL: WORK IN PROGRESS

Bella Hull is a London-based stand-up comedian and writer and one of the UK's most exciting young comedians. She made her debut at last year's Edinburgh Fringe Festival to sell-out crowds, and has had TV appearances on Stand Up for Live Comedy (BBC) and the Stand-Up Sketch Show (ITV2). "A barrel of laughs" \*\*\*\* (One4Review). "Will have you belly laughing throughout... I could not recommend the show enough" \*\*\*\* (The Student)

[instagram.com/bellabellahull](https://www.instagram.com/bellabellahull)

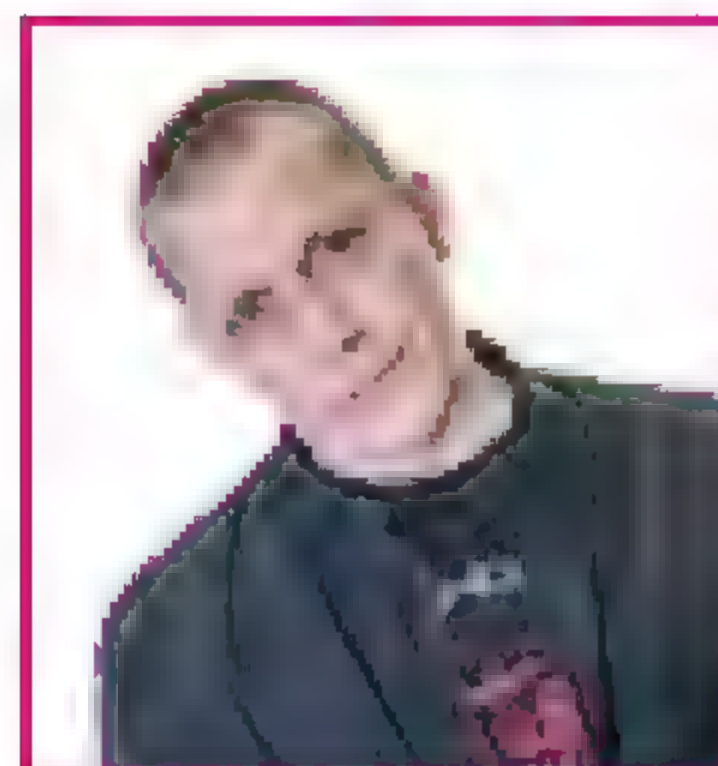
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Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



### BEN BRIGGS: YESTERDAY'S BIRTHDAY BOY

WORLD PREMIERE

After sell out shows at the Leicester Comedy Festival for the last nine years, Ben Briggs brings a brand new hour of stand up comedy in 2023. Brash, confrontational, honest and at times dark, but always very, very funny. Not to be missed. "Inherently appealing style" - Chortle "a nice cynical sneer" - beyondthejoke.co.uk Nominated Best Act - Midlands Comedy Awards 2014, 2015 and 2017. Finalist - English Comedian of the Year 2015. [www.benbriggs.co.uk/](https://www.benbriggs.co.uk/)

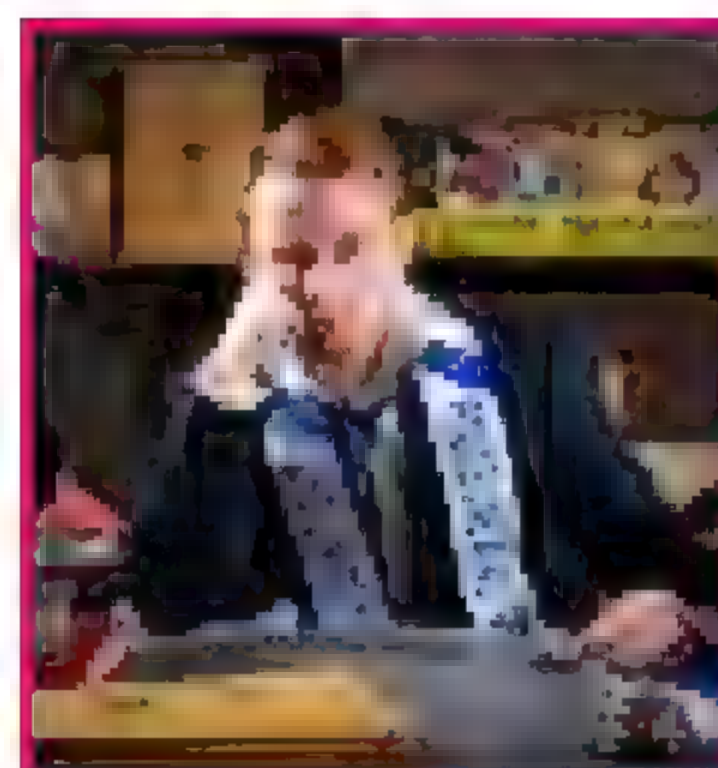
STAND UP

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Time: 15:30 (16:30)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Furthest from the Sea presents

### BEN GOLDSMITH: THE LAST JOB

REGIONAL PREMIERE

Policeman Steve has spent a dreary old career as a copper, in his sleepy little village of Crevise-under-Houndstooth. With dreams of becoming a police legend, Steve has one last day on the force to foil a criminal genius and go down in history! Solo comedy heist thriller from newcomer, Ben Goldsmith. As heard on BBC Radio; shortlisted Best Comedy Duo and Best Mockumentary at LA Indie X Festival.

<https://www.ben-goldsmith.com/>

CHARACTER, SOLD SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: £6





Jokes on Us Present

**BEN MACPHERSON: BONFIRE MAN**

Silly, Dark and Surreal character comedy in Ben Macpherson: Bonfire Man. This live mockumentary takes you to the blistering heat of the Nevada desert to the weird, ephemeral and legally distinct Bonfire Man festival. This show is a hilarious exploration of self expression, creative communities and those who control them. "Joy, humour and Bafflement" - Theatre Scotland "Easily a top Recommendation" - Chronic Insanity "\*\*\*\*\*" - Notts Queer Arts  
[benmacpherson.co.uk](http://benmacpherson.co.uk)

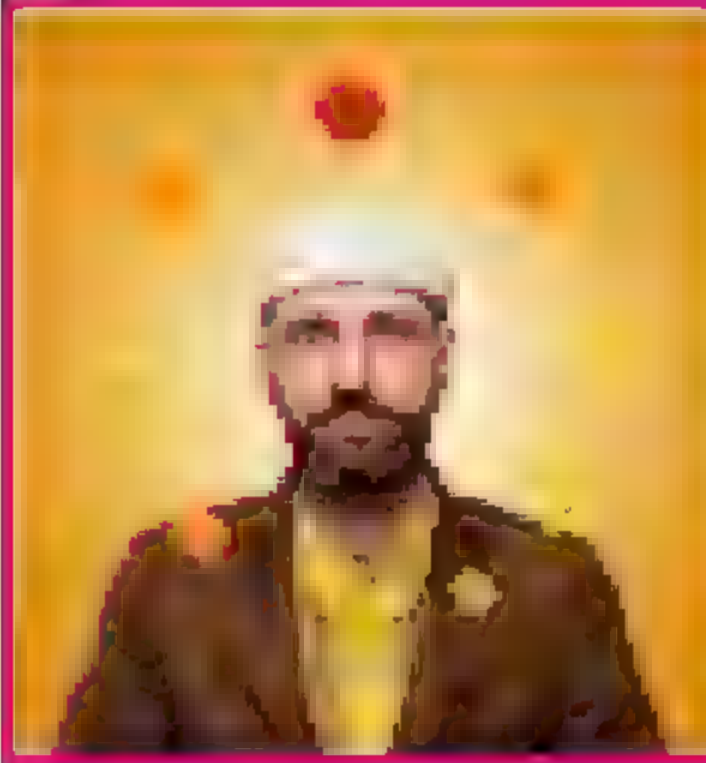
CHARACTER, THEATRE

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Time: 20:50 (21:50)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Ben Target / TripleCeePee

**BEN TARGET: SUPER COMMERCIAL MEGA MAINSTREAM COMEDY SHOW (WIP)**

The bedazzling Ben Target (darling of BBC3 and Radio 4) lights up Duffy's bar (capacity: 50) with an essential hour of stand-up classique on aeroplane food, mortgage prices and bread ahead of his soon-to-sellout show at Milton Keynes Bowl (capacity: 65,000). Buy a ticket to the show now so that you can say "I saw him before he was mega famous and his ego exploded". "A true original and a legend in the making" The Guardian.  
[www.bentarget.com](http://www.bentarget.com)

ALTERNATIVE, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 14:50 (15:45)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 (£4.50) advance or Pay What You Want



**BEST IN CLASS**

BEST IN CLASS IS A CROWD FUNDED PROFIT SHARING SHOW THAT CHAMPIONS THE RICH TALENT OF WORKING CLASS COMEDIANS. Sponsored by waste grounds, knock off trainers, spam, weed, the unions, crap schools, bunking off, failed MOT's, failed GCSE's, bus stops, payday loans, fierce mums, tired dads and empowerment. Hosted by award winning comedian Sian Davies ("Compelling and distinctive" The Scotsman) and featuring working class acts from across the UK.  
<http://bestinclass.org.uk/>

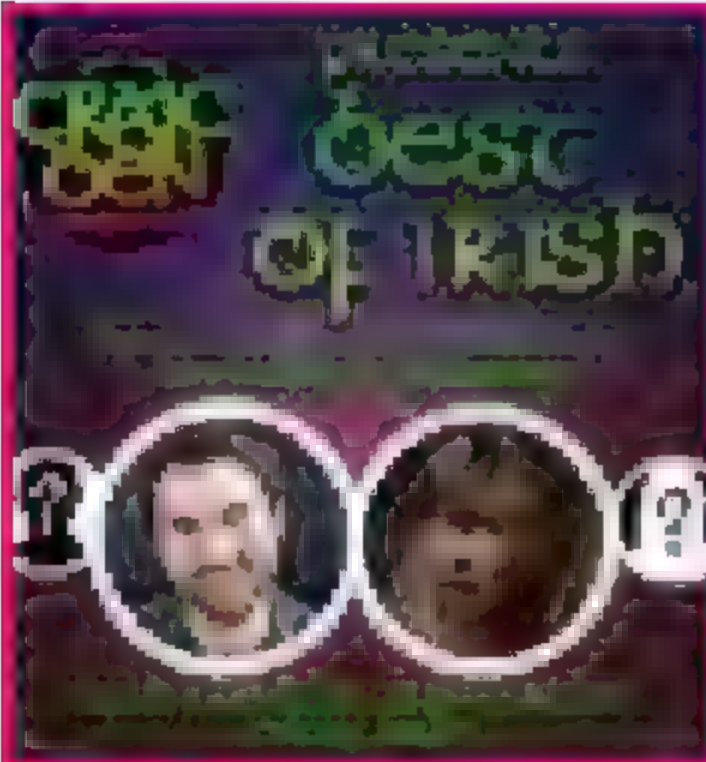
STAND UP, MIXED BILL

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Time: 21:30 (22:30)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £7 (£5)



**BEST OF IRISH AT THE CRAIC DEN**

Craic Den Presents Best of Irish Comedy is a compilation show featuring Ireland's funniest comedians. The line-ups are curated by the team behind Dublin's acclaimed Craic Den Comedy Club. Watch three top acts every show! Each day will have a new line-up from across the pond. Hosted by Eddie Mullarkey and Aideen McQueen.  
[www.craicdencomedyclub.com](http://www.craicdencomedyclub.com)

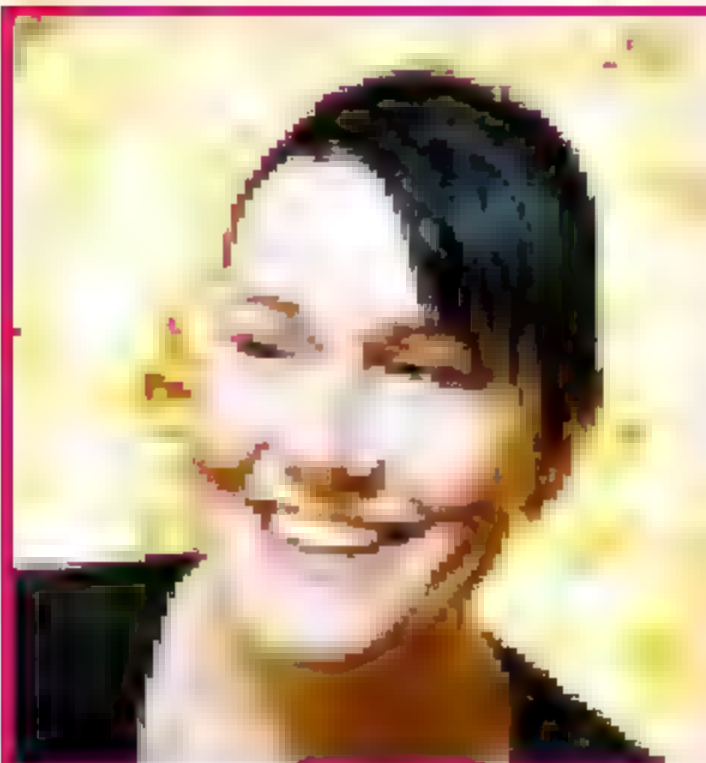
STAND UP, INTERACTIVE

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 24th 23:30 | 25th & 26th 16:00 (1hr)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



United Agents present

**BETHANY BLACK: ALWAYS BET ON BETH**

In 2019 Beth faced turning 40 head on and moved to a small village just outside the town she grew up in. She imagined she'd be able to get away from it all, but in today's hyper connected age that was more difficult than she imagined... A queer story of rural living, conspiracies, an unfortunate medical condition and PC building. As seen in Cucumber, Banana, Tofu (C4), Doctor Who (BBC). Joe.co.uk comedy award 2020.  
[twitter.com/beffernieblack](https://twitter.com/beffernieblack)

SOLO SHOW, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £10



Centre for Comedy Studies Research present

**BEYOND A JOKE: WHO CARES?**

Leicester Comedy Festival has hosted a series of discussions and debates over many years. The Beyond A Joke Series has become a key part of the overall programme but who really cares about these discussions? Should organisers keep offering opportunities for people to delve a little deeper into topics linked to contemporary comedy? Join the panel, including Kate Copstick, Simon Minty, Kate Fox, Laura Arends and Sharon Lockyer, for this discussion.  
<https://www.brunel.ac.uk/research/Networks-and-Labs/Comedy-Studies-Research>

DISCUSSION

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 14:00 (15:00)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE



## BIG ZEUS ENERGY



## BIG ZEUS ENERGY

Masculinity is in a state of flux. Three friends welcome you to join them as they head into the forest to reconnect with their Big Zeus Energy. Based on men's movements of the 90s, this clown and physical comedy show will see if leaf crowns, drum circles, and fairy tales can turn man-boys into man-men. Presented by three graduates of Ecole Philippe Gaulier; Ollie West, Christiaan Hendriksen, and Andrew Turowski.

<https://bigzeusenergy.com/>



CLOWN

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Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: The Globe Map Ref: 50

Entry: £5 (£3)



Avalon Presents

## BILAL ZAFAR: CARE

Edinburgh Fringe Best newcomer nominee and New act of the year (NATYS) award winner Bilal Zafar returns with a brand new show about how he spent a year working in a care home for very wealthy people. Fresh out of university with a media degree, Bilal was dropped into the real world where he was given far too much responsibility for a 21-year old that had just spent 3 years watching films.

[www.bilalzafarcomedy.com](http://www.bilalzafarcomedy.com)



STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £10



## BILAL ZAFAR: NEW SHOW TBF

Bilal Zafar has some awards, nominations and some TV / film credits, if that's the sort of thing you care about. This is his brand new show. Thanks xo

WORLD PREMIERE



STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £5



## BILLY MCGUIRE AIN'T ALWAYS HONEST

Billy McGuire, Master exponent of the rolling gag, wanders through more than fifty years and through four countries...mostly seeking attention...Adult content, occasional curse words, sexual references from the outset, squeezes in a knob gag here and there...don't bring your nan!



STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 14:30 (15:30)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Monster Comedy Presents

## BINGO'S ADVENTURE

Bingo the clown is going on an adventure to find Bongo and Bango, and he needs your help kids! If you like funny stuff, being noisy and making a mess then come along on Bingo's Adventure! (Parents crèche provided - aka the bar).



CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 14:00 (14:30)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £2.50 advance or Pay What You Want



Ingenious Fools

## BLUE BADGE BUNCH

"The disability 'Taskmaster'!" A hilarious, interactive gameshow where each game represents a different disability, giving kids and grown ups the chance to learn about disabilities. Hosted by Benny Shakes, while a panel of comedians battle it out to come up trumps, in a show where disadvantage is an advantage! \*\*\*\* "Cleverly thought out and engagingly interactive." - Three Weeks \*\*\*\*\* "Lots of fun" - MixUpTheatre.com

[www.bennyshakes.uk](http://www.bennyshakes.uk)



FAMILY, GAME SHOW

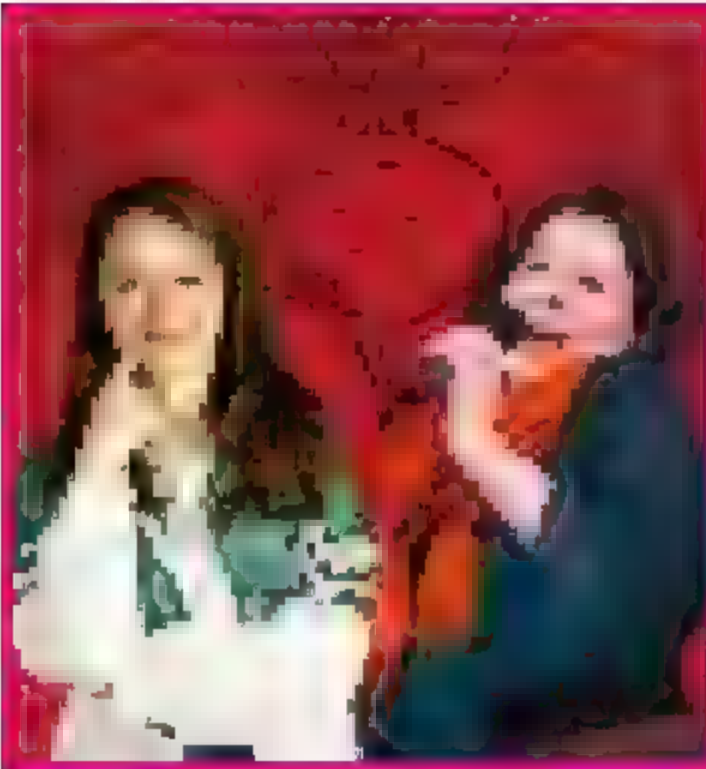
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Time: 11:00 (11:55)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4

Entry: £5





NCF & Late Stage Comedy present

**BORSCHT & B\*\*CH\*S**

Join brazen Steph & Mara as they plough the fields of their Eastern European heritage for jokes... and harvest the fruits n veg of their parents' labour. When life gives you beetroots, just make Borscht.\* \*that's a soup. No, we don't know how to make it either.

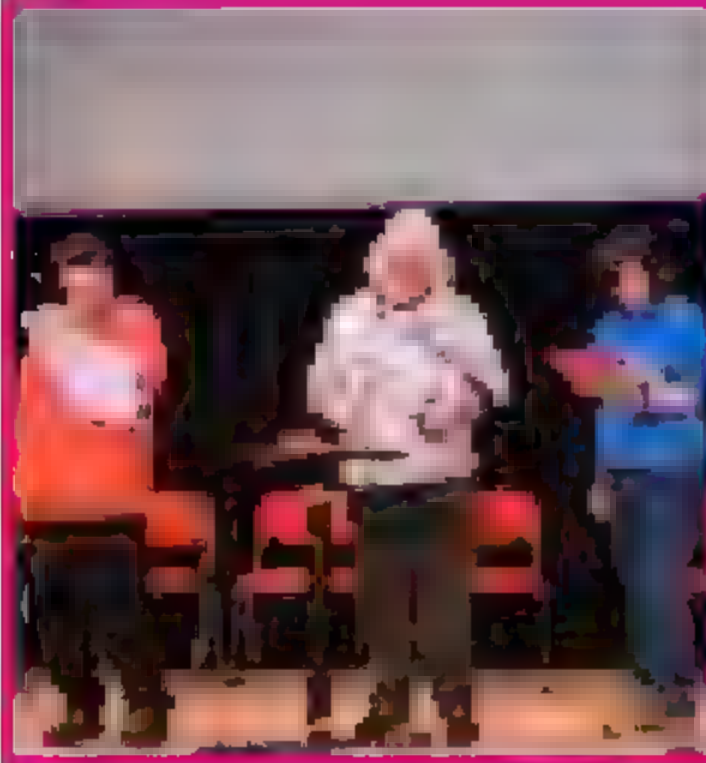
STAND UP, MIXED BILL

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Time: 17:00 (18:00)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



BrightSparks present

**BRIGHTSPARKS COMEDY ASYLUM**

The Comedy Asylum is the team of comedians, writers and mental health service users behind Comedy Festival hits Robots Vs Zombies and Death in Dunton Gussett. Now in our sixteenth glorious year, we present a riot of improv, sketches, stand up, songs and the official launch of our eagerly awaited Comedy Asylum book. Also there's a raffle.

[www.brightsparksarts.uk](http://www.brightsparksarts.uk)

WORLD PREMIERE

IMPROV, SKETCH

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Time: 19:00 (21:00)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Big Difference present

**BRING YOUR OWN DOG COMEDY**

What could go wrong? Bring your own dog comedy is BACK! Bring your furry friends along and watch a mixed bill of brilliant comedy. Pups also get a cupcake and doggy beer thrown in! You don't have to have your own dog to come, buy a ticket just for yourself and watch as the inevitable chaos ensues. Tickets are priced £14 for 1 human and 1 dog, £10 for a solo human.

<https://comedy-festival.co.uk/>

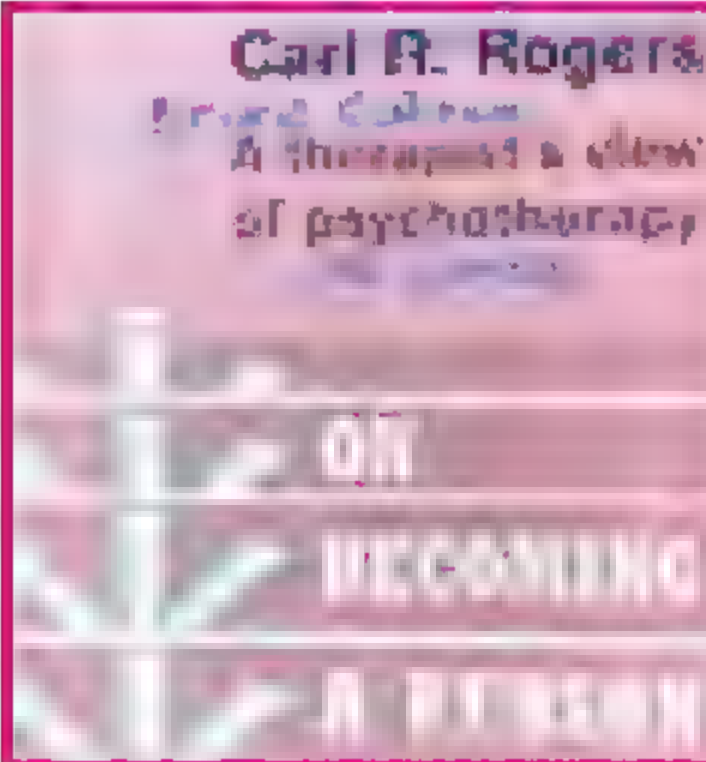
MIXED BILL

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Time: 16:30 (17:30)

Venue: BrewDog Map Ref: 10

Entry: £10-£14



TripleCeePee presents

**BRUCE EDHOUSE: ON BECOMING A PERSON**

Bruce is a bit different from your normal comedians - for one, he's also a practicing, BACP registered psychotherapist. Secondly, proper jokes are for squares. So come along and find out what influences someone to become a person, through the gift of daft songs, props that seemed like a good idea at the time, and actual exercises that I use in the therapy room. Come along, have fun, leave feeling lighter and happier. Sorted!

WORLD PREMIERE

IMMERSIVE, ALTERNATIVE

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Time: 14:30 (15:30)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



NCF & Late Stage Comedy present

**BRYAN JAMES & EPPIE BRILLIANT: MIXED BILL**

Bryan James ("Really quick witted and charming" The Stand) & Eppie Brilliant ("Refreshingly Talented" Notts Comedy Review) are two of the best new acts to emerge from the north east of England. Bryan is a high energy gay comedian and is developing his debut solo show 'Sun Boy'. Brilliant is a uniquely funny, high energy transwoman & musical comedian who is working on her debut show 'What's Your Favourite Song'. 2 shows for the price of 1? Why not

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

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Time: 25th 19:00 (20:00) | 26th 14:00 (15:00)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Big Difference & De Montfort University present

**BUSINESS ELEVENSES - LAUNCH OF LEICESTER COMEDY FESTIVAL 2023**

The official business launch event of Leicester Comedy Festival 2023 - to celebrate the 30th Anniversary with guests and friends from businesses and organisations from across Leicester, Leicestershire & beyond. In partnership with De Montfort University, where the Festival first began in 1994.

WORLD PREMIERE

EVENT

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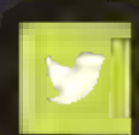
Venue: Phoenix Map Ref: 59

Entry: By invite only



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Leicester Comedy Festival**CALUM MACLEOD: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Calum Macleod is going to spend 45 minutes explaining why he's sad about the Queen, why he's scared of captcha and how he's survived for 10 years on a single boost bar. 'Consistently and creatively funny...slick, clever, creative.' - Richard Stamp, The Wee Review



STAND UP

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Time: 18:00 (18:45)

Venue: The Globe Map Ref: 50

Entry: FREE



unglamorous presents

**CANNY FUNNY**

Canny Funny brings together some of the Midlands' best improvisers for a joyous, silly and extremely clever show. From your suggestions, the players create fast-paced, weird and wonderful scenes with NO SCRIPT WHATSOEVER. Favourite games include The Mighty Oracle, The Gibberish Lecture, The Household Olympics and your own desperately sad-but-modern blues song made up on the spot. Book early to be sure of a ticket at this cool coffee bar!

[unglamorous.co.uk](http://unglamorous.co.uk)

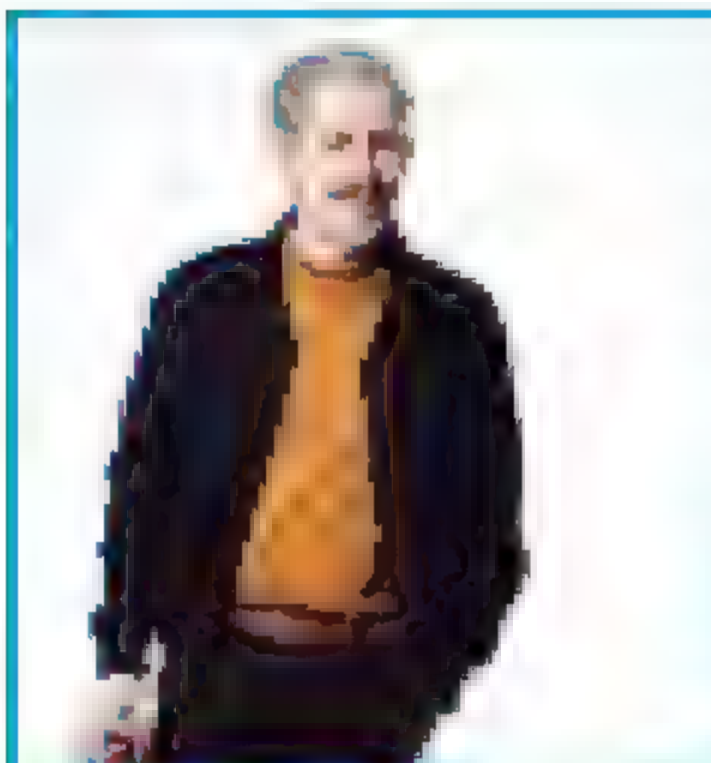
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Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: 200 Degrees Coffee Shop Map Ref: 1

Entry: £6

**CARL DONNELLY: THE DEAD DAD SHOW**

REGIONAL PREMIERE



Multi-award winning comedian and podcaster Carl Donnelly returns with an all new show about death and family. Having previously performed shows covering topics such as hallucinogenic therapy, divorce, IVF and more, death feels like the natural next step in Carl's search for comedy gold. "connecting effortlessly with his audience... a beautifully balanced performance" The Scotsman, "Observational genius" The Guardian

[www.carldonnelly.co.uk](http://www.carldonnelly.co.uk)

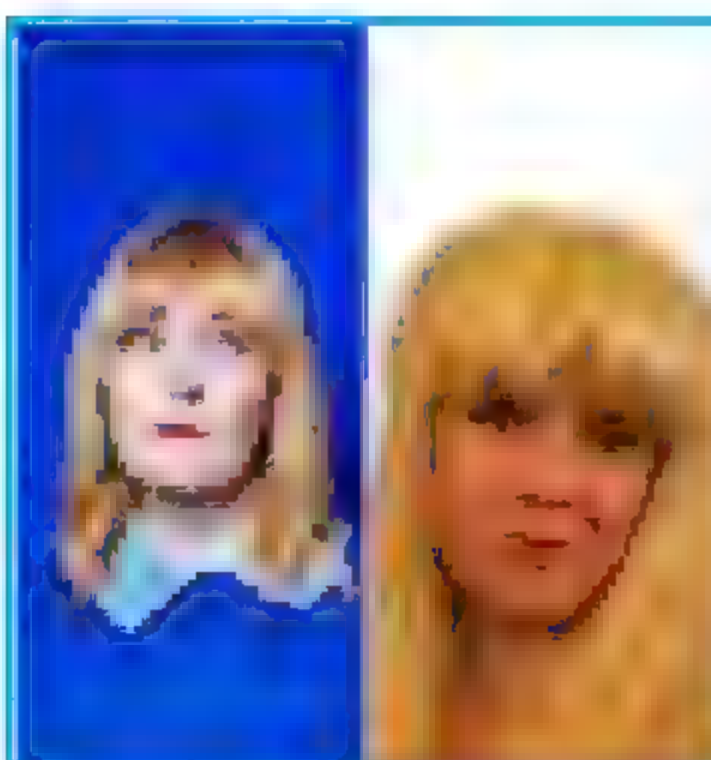
STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: Black Horse Map Ref: 9

Entry: £7 (£5)



NCF &amp; Late Stage Comedy present

**CAROLINE MADDS & KARISMAA (KATIE MCLEOD): WELCOME TO THE PARTY**

Two of the most exciting rising stand-up stars present an hour of comedy. Caroline Madds So You Think You're Funny? Finalist &amp; NATYS Finalist. 'A clear comic talent' (Beyond the Joke) Come celebrate being TK Maxx addiction-free &amp; finally putting a deposit on a glass of house white. Karismaa (Katie McLeod) Funny Women, Semi-Finalist &amp; WestEnd New Act Finalist. Babes, join my Divorce Party, I'll guide you through newly single life &amp; redflag bingo!

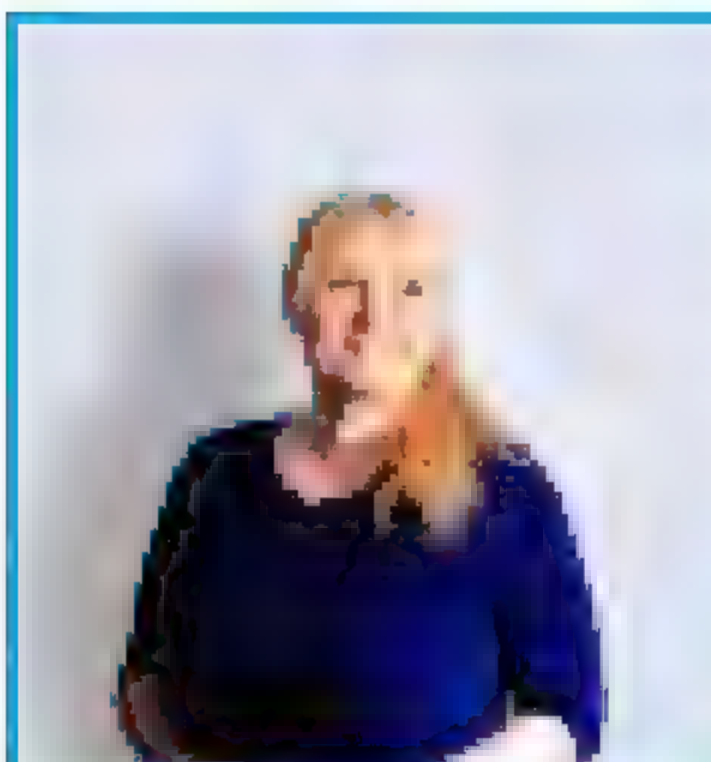
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Time: 18:30 (19:30)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



'Jokes On Us Present'

**CATHERINE YOUNG: JOY BRINGER**

Catherine Young is here to bring you joy! She's here to brighten your day, put a smile on your face, and a spring in your step. Are you looking for one hour of uplifting, down-to-earth, humour? If the answers yes, then she's your girl! A show about everyday life. It's about laughing at ourselves in the darkest of times and remembering to find the joy in the smallest of things. 'A perfect mix of energy, punchlines and emotion' Shoecake Comedy

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 21:15 (22:15)

Venue: The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want





Ingenious Fools & Andrew Roach Talent Ltd

REGIONAL PREMIERE



**CERYS BRADLEY: NOT OVERTHINKING THINGS (WIP)**

Cerys Bradley (Neurodiverse Review Awards Winner 2022) is not mean enough to be funny, apparently. But actually they're too mean sometimes. They find it hard to know where the line is. (Probably because it was drawn by neurotypicals...) Help them work it out at this WIP show. But, prepare yourselves. Cerys is going to try their best to be really mean. As seen on BBC1 Wales, BBC iPlayer & BBC Radio Wales. "A must see" \*\*\*\*\* Neurodiverse Review

[www.cerysbradley.com](http://www.cerysbradley.com)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £6





**CHARACTER BUILDING EXPERIENCE**

A Dungeons-and-Dragons-style, comedy gameshow, suitable for the experts, novices and the uninitiated but curious. Unique mini-adventure with improvised music, songs and questionable choices. Roll the dice on this comedy gameshow. "plenty of laughs and nerd camaraderie"- Broadway World \*\*\*\* "endlessly pleasing, voraciously funny hour of unpredictable nonsense" The Independent \*\*\*\* Shortlisted for Broadway World's Comedy Award

[www.sashaellen.com](http://www.sashaellen.com)

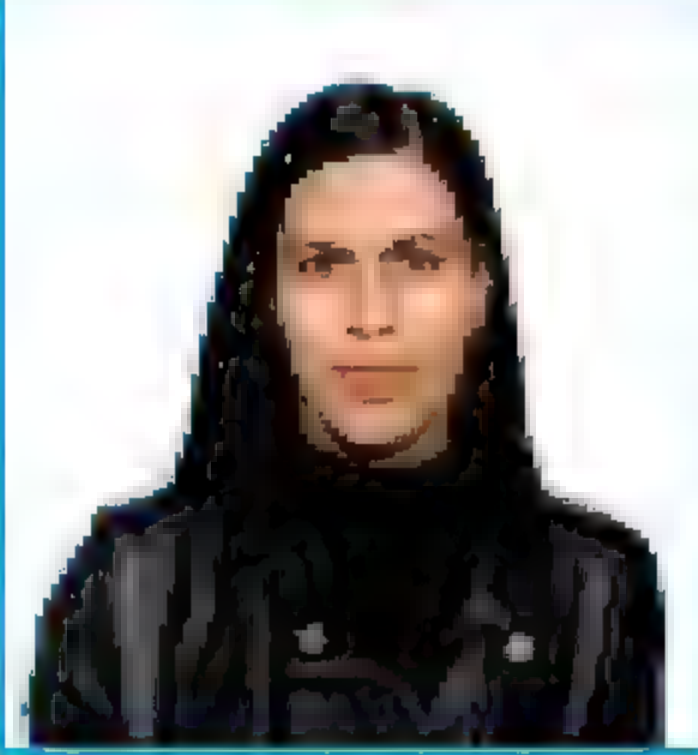
GAME SHOW, IMPROV

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Time: 18:15 (19:15)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Chambers Touring Presents



**CHARLIE GEORGE: GRACE (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

Charlie George Swindon's finest queer, mixed-race, neuro-diverse, working class, ex-Jehovah's Witness comedian longs for Grace. If only her disgusting human urges would allow it! A WIP hour of explosive physical comedy & stand up from LGBTQ new comedian of the year award winner 2019 & So You Think You're Funny & Funny Women Awards runner up.

[charliegeorgecomedy.com/](http://charliegeorgecomedy.com/)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



REGIONAL PREMIERE



**CHARLIE VERO-MARTIN: PICNIC (WIP)**

A brand new show from Funny Women shortlisted comedian Charlie Vero-Martin. Weaving stand-up, character comedy and puppetry, this will be the most surreal picnic you've ever attended. With her charming, skittish and delightful brand of comedy, Charlie could burn your house down and you would forgive her. \*\*\*\* "So full of life, and so funny" Broadway Baby \*\*\*\* "Jam-packed with laughter" Ed Fest Magazine \*\*\*\* "A fun-filled hoot" The Phoenix Remix

<https://www.charlieveromartin.com/>


SOLO SHOW, SKETCH

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26


Time: 12:15 (13:15)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



CheapShow



**CHEAPSHOW**

CheapShow is the economy comedy podcast that searches the charity shops, Poundlands and Bargain Bins of Great Britain to discover the treasure amongst the trash. In this special LCF edition of the show, hosts Paul Gannon & Eli Silverman invite special guests and audience members to play their bizarre games, nibble on some cheap eats and revel in the wonderful horrors found in charity shops. "Howling with laughter" The Guardian

[www.thecheapshow.co.uk](http://www.thecheapshow.co.uk)

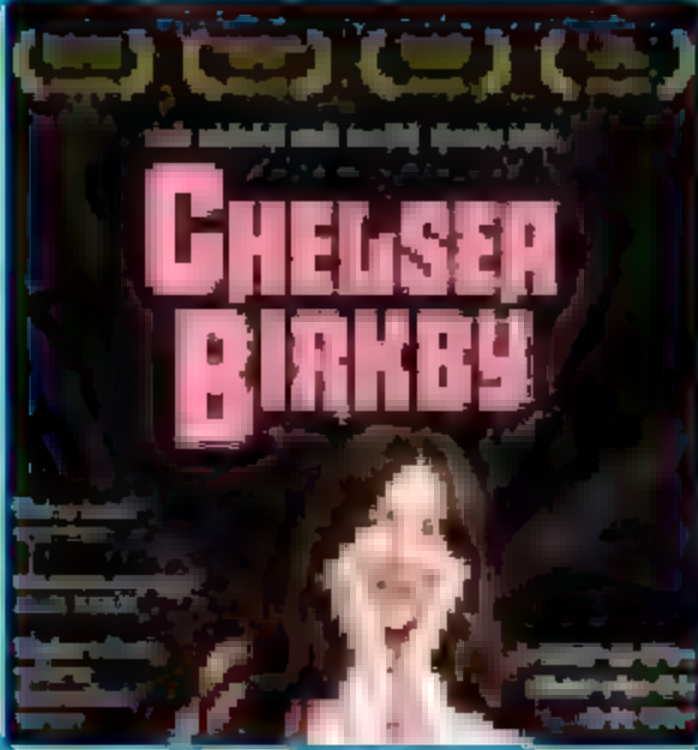
PODCAST, ALTERNATIVE


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Time: 18:00 (19:00)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £5





**CHELSEA BIRKBY: NO MORE MR NICE CHELSEA**

What is it to be nice and when is it time to stop? Winner best debut show Amused Moose. Shortlisted best show Comedian's Choice. Best jokes 2022 The Times & The Telegraph. "Packed with gags at a great hit rate, even in the more serious moments, an assured debut from a performer who is surely destined for the top."\*\*\*\*\*.5 The Sunday Post A hugely promising and already accomplished stand-up, surely destined for greater things"\*\*\*\*\* The Scotsman

[www.chelseabirkby.com](http://www.chelseabirkby.com)

STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:15 (22:15)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want





### CHELSEA BIRKBY: SILLY SAUSAGE (PAIN) WORK IN PROGRESS

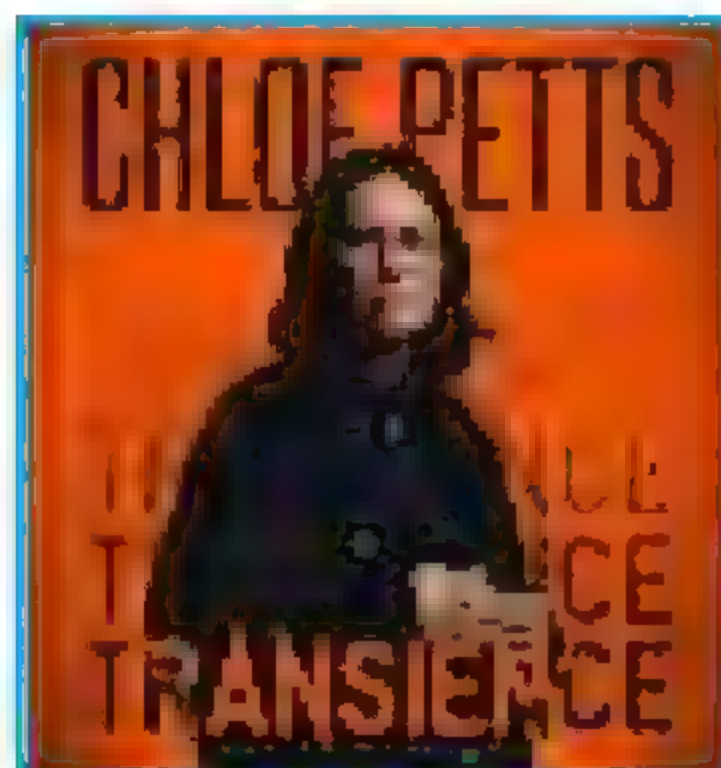
**WORLD PREMIERE**


Chelsea Birkby follows up on her award-winning debut this work-in-progress. Is it about an awakening, clown school and her Mum, or is it about YOUR MUM? Expect one liners, heart, pop culture, and maybe even sincerity. "A hugely promising and already accomplished stand-up, surely destined for greater things." \*\*\*\* The Scotsman Best jokes of the fringe 2022 The Times and The Telegraph Also shortlisted for Comedian's Choice Best Show

[www.chelseabirkby.com](http://www.chelseabirkby.com)
**STAND UP**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 **15** 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

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**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want


Avalon present

### CHLOE PETTS: TRANSIENCE

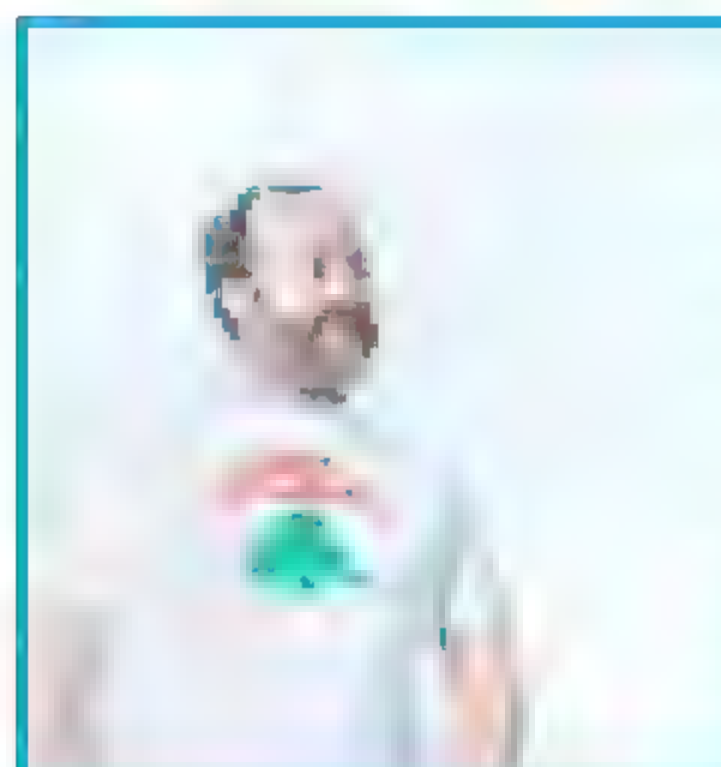


The debut show of rising star and "very funny" (Guardian) Chloe Petts touring the UK for the first time! A brilliantly sharp live performer and "compelling presence" (Chortle), she is one of the most exciting acts on the UK scene. Fresh from supporting Ed Gamble on his UK Tour, Petts uses her trademark cerebral "laddishness" to examine her desperate attempts at living in the moment, the darts and her (strictly non-romantic) love for men.

[twitter.com/ChloePetts](https://twitter.com/ChloePetts)
**SOLO SHOW, STAND UP**
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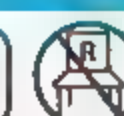
**Time:** 19:00 (20:00)

**Venue:** Firebug Map Ref: 20

**Entry:** £12


Jokes On Us present

### CHRIS KEHOE: LAW - HUH - WHAT IS IT GOOD FOR?

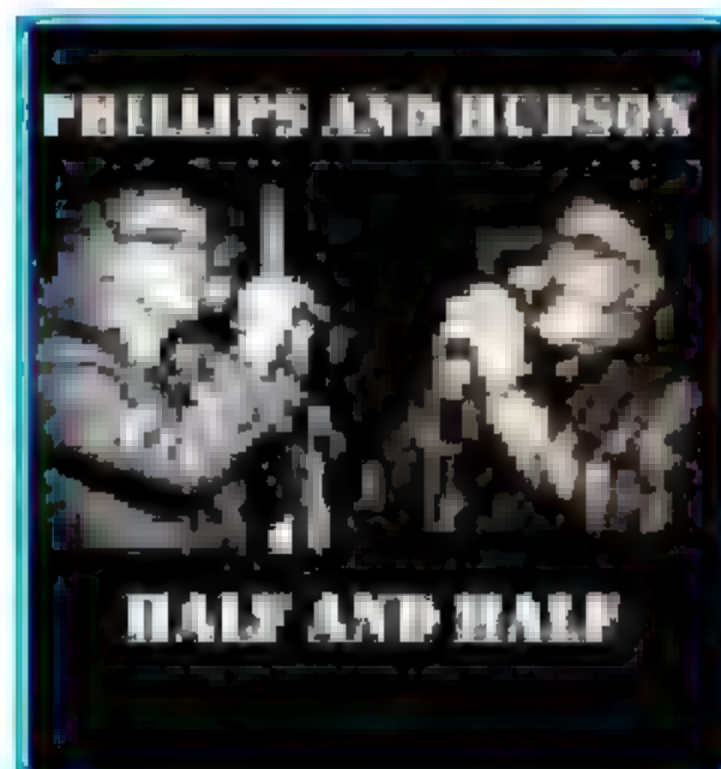
**REGIONAL PREMIERE**


Barrister turned stand-up Chris Kehoe turns his critical eye on the law in a brand new hour of half-arsed philosophy, surreal ramblings and acerbic wit and asks, "Law, huh, what is it good for?" Tour support for Geoff Norcott and Paul Sinha "Exciting and entertaining...a unique wit - 5 stars" - Lancashire Evening Post "An intelligent and important voice" - Manchester Wire "So funny he almost turned me left wing" - Geoff Norcott

**SATIRE, ALTERNATIVE**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 **11** 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 17:30 (18:30)

**Venue:** Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want


Joke On Us presents

### CHRIS PHILLIPS AND KEVIN HUDSON: HALF AND HALF

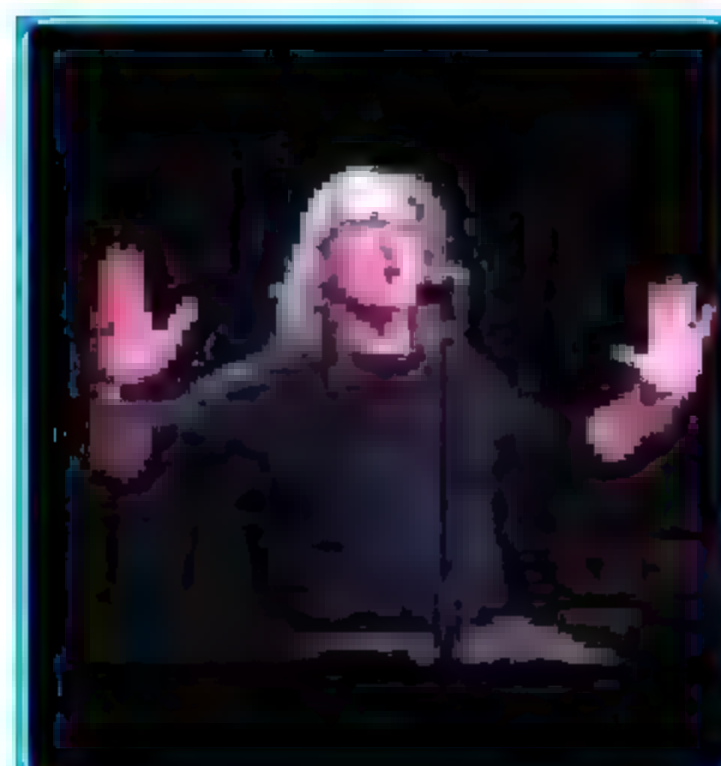


The Welsh One and the Accountant join forces again to bring you a delicious portion of their festival solo shows, How To Disappear Completely and Loyalty Card 3: Rise Of The Accountants. Can't be bothered to watch two shows? Come to this and just see the best bits of both. Chris has mastered the art of why people slowly fade away and are no longer cool, and Kevin returns to tell stories of loyalty, cards, and why the world is full of accountants.

**STORYTELLING, SPOKEN WORD**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 **17** 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 19:30 (20:30)

**Venue:** Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want


Chris Phillips

### CHRIS PHILLIPS: HOW TO DISAPPEAR COMPLETELY (WIP)


**WORLD PREMIERE**


Chris makes a triumphant return to the Leicester comedy festival, after a year of mastering the art of why people slowly fade away, lose focus and are no longer cool. Come and join me and I will explain the art of how to disappear completely. \* This is not a magic show but it is a work in progress.

**STAND UP, STORYTELLING**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 **24** 25 26

**Time:** 18:15 (19:15)

**Venue:** Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want


Gag N Bone Man Comedy Presents:

### CHUCKLEHOUND



"Chucklehound" is the debut solo show of comedian Graeme Rayner "A talented raconteur. The laughs come thick and fast." - Lancashire Post, "Made me laugh out loud" - David Baddiel, "Lovely Job" - Jon Richardson. Graeme talks, in too much detail, about fatherhood, married life, and his mental, physical and sexual health. This show is suitable only for those aged 16 +, and will include some content that some may find upsetting or offensive

[www.graemerayner.co.uk/chucklehound](http://www.graemerayner.co.uk/chucklehound)
**STAND UP, STORYTELLING**
**DATES:** **08** 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 21:00 (22:00)

**Venue:** The Globe Map Ref: 50

**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want





Big Difference present

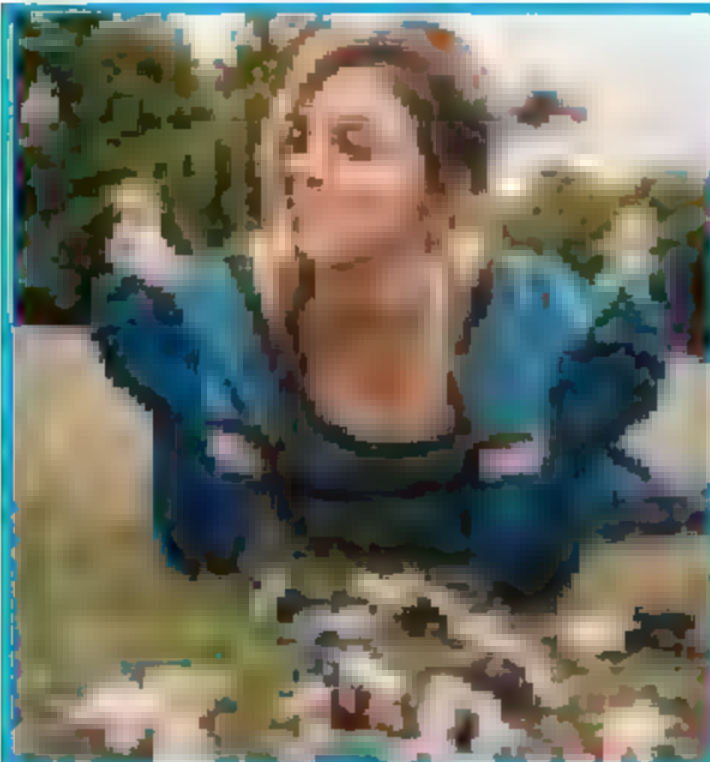
CIRCUIT BREAKERS

THE chance within the festival to see the stars of the future from the best of emerging UK comedians. We have carefully selected those acts who have been gigging for a while but have yet to break into the big time. Trust us; you'll be seeing these acts in arenas soon so come and see them so you can tell your friends you saw them before they were famous...



MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:00 (21:30)
Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£10



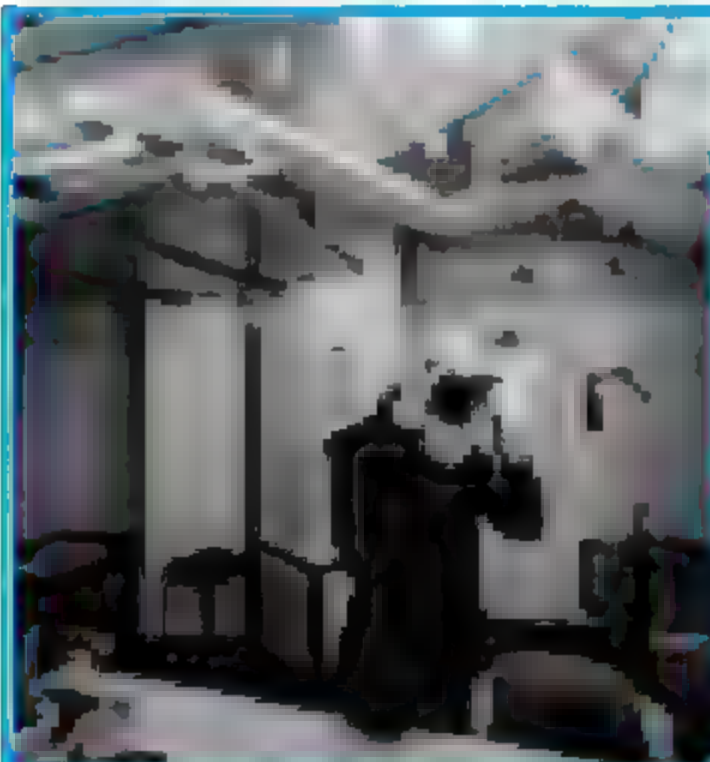
CLEMENTINE

From shipwrecks to guillotines, tragedy has plagued Lady Clementine's love life from day one. When her latest beau, Sir Bradley, goes missing, she sets off on a quest to solve the mystery of her misfortune. Guided by the stars, she soon finds out she's been searching for love in all the wrong places. Set roughly "in the past", expect dashing dandies, sickly sisters and many, MANY letters. Bridgerton meets the Mighty Boosh.



CHARACTER

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	21:00 (22:00)
Venue:	Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61																			Entry:	£8 (£7)



Millerbor productions presents

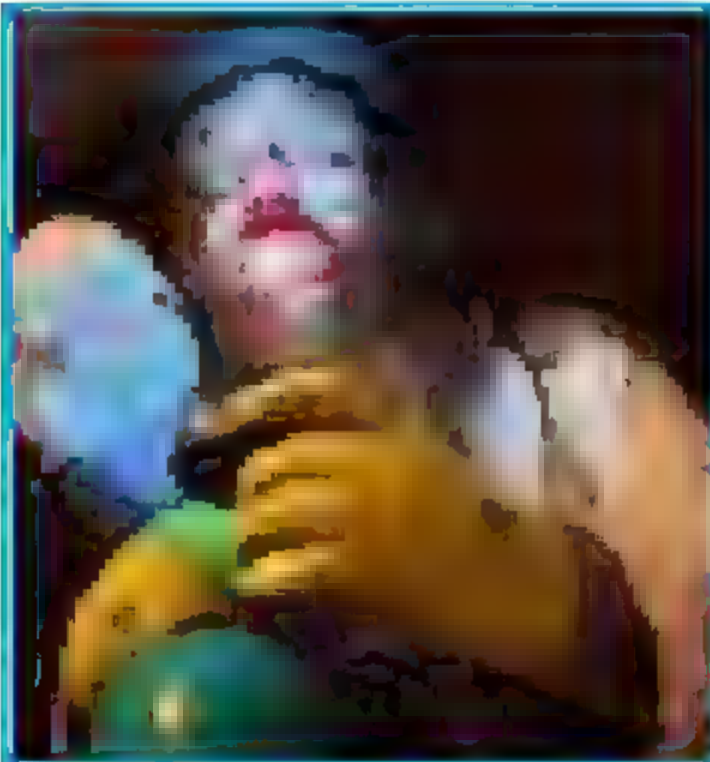
CLOWNTOGRAPHER

Clowntographer is a documentary that follows comedian and photographer Steve Best as he interviews and photographs comedians, gallery owners, photographers and comedy promoters to find out what makes a great comedy photograph. Starring Dave Johns, Nina Benjamin and many more comedians. Filmed by award winning comedian and filmmaker Joe Bor.  
<https://www.joeborfilms.com/>



FILM

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	14:00 (15:00)
Venue:	Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: TBC																			Entry:	£2.50



Furthest from the Sea presents

COCK-KANE THE CLOWN'S GAMES NIGHT 2ND EDITION

It's new and improved Cock-Kanes Games Night 2nd Edition! One extra Cock-ette? Its still Cock-Kane! That's your guarantee. Twisted Parlour Games with Magic, Music and Mayhem. It's Cock-Kane and balloons! A selection of new and improved party games with the very fought over real bragging rights. Sit back and enjoy the chaos, or actively participate in the late night show that will leave you in a state of disbelief. Enjoy xxx  
[www.furthestfromthesea.co.uk](http://www.furthestfromthesea.co.uk)

WORLD PREMIERE



GAME SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:30 (21:30)
Venue:	Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30																			Entry:	£6 (£3)



Berk's Nest present

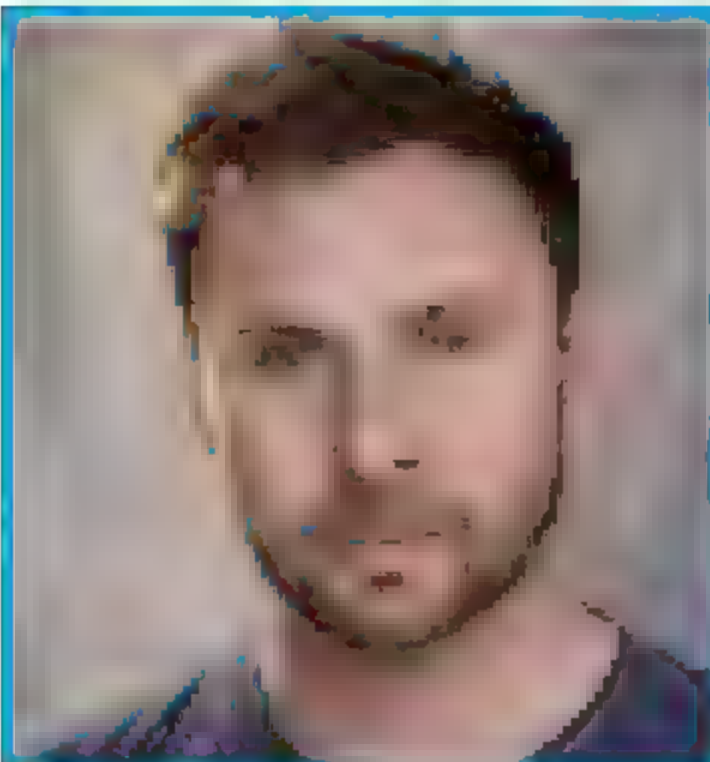
COLIN HOULT: THE DEATH OF ANNA MANN

Fresh from a smash-hit, critically acclaimed, sold out run at the Fringe, Anna Mann is going on tour! The acclaimed actress, singer & welder (gotta have a back up) returns after five long years to tell the incredible story of her life in the arts in this: her final hour. Visceral, real & achingly brave, Colin Hoult presents a hilarious meditation on life, death & literally everything in between. You will leave screaming "f\*\*\* off I love it!"  
[iamcolinhoult.com/](http://iamcolinhoult.com/)



CHARACTER, SKETCH

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:30 (21:30)
Venue:	Firebug Map Ref: 20																			Entry:	£14



Berk's Nest present

COLIN HOULT: WORK IN PROGRESS

Dave's Edinburgh Comedy award nominee, sometime Anna Mann and Afterlife star Colin Hoult is here being himself on stage for the first time. A mix of stand up character and music telling the story of his early years in Nottingham. "Genius... One of the funniest comedy shows I've seen" \*\*\*\*\* The Times "Terrific... you will laugh yourself silly throughout" \*\*\*\*\* The Telegraph "An absolute gift to comedy" \*\*\*\*\* Broadway World  
[iamcolinhoult.com](http://iamcolinhoult.com)



STAND UP, CHARACTER

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Venue:	Firebug Map Ref: 20																			Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want





Neon Flamingo presents

**COMEDY ARCADE LIVE**

Part game show and part chat show. Host Vix Leyton holds a bingo ball of surprise subjects for five comics to compete with related stories and anecdotes to win points. 'Lives up to its billing likening it to a fabulous dinner party. Punters feel they are among spontaneously funny friends rather than hearing well-rehearsed professional anecdotes. We know these stories - and this particular alchemy - will not be repeated again' \*\*\*\*\* (Chortle)

[www.comedyarcadepodcast.co.uk](http://www.comedyarcadepodcast.co.uk)

STORYTELLING, STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 **25** 26
**Time:** 18:30 (19:30)**Venue:** The Big Difference Map Ref: 45**Entry:** £6 (£5)

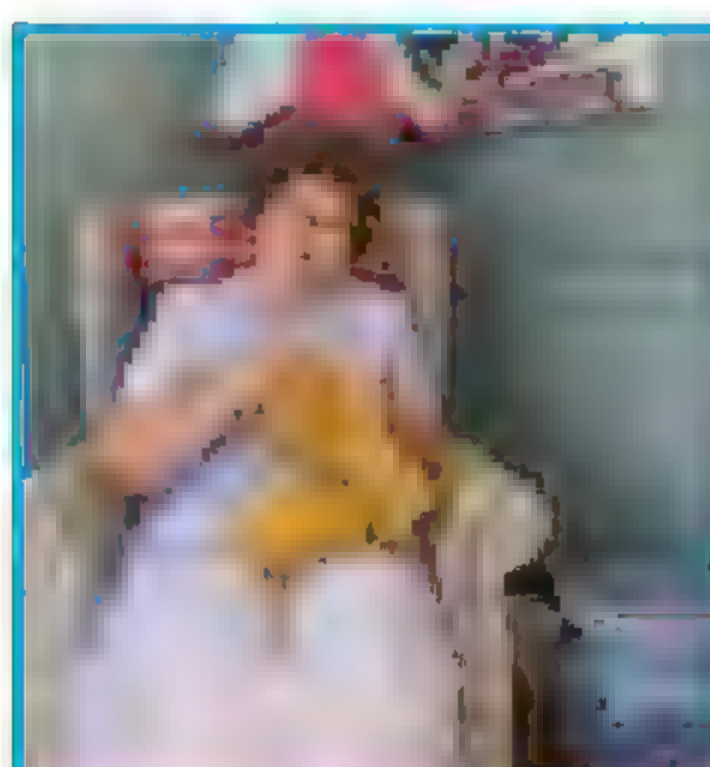
Comedy Club 4 Kids LTD Presents

**COMEDY CLUB 4 KIDS**

Since 2005, the Comedy Club 4 Kids has been getting the best stand-ups and sketch acts from the international circuit to do their thing for an audience of children and their families... but without the rude bits! It's just like a normal comedy club, but it's on in the day, kids are allowed in, and thus there is a higher than usual chance of heckles like "why is that your face!?"

[demontforhall.co.uk](http://demontforhall.co.uk)

CHILDREN'S

**DATES:** 08 09 10 **11** 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 13:00 (14:00)**Venue:** De Montfort Hall Map Ref: 16**Entry:** £8

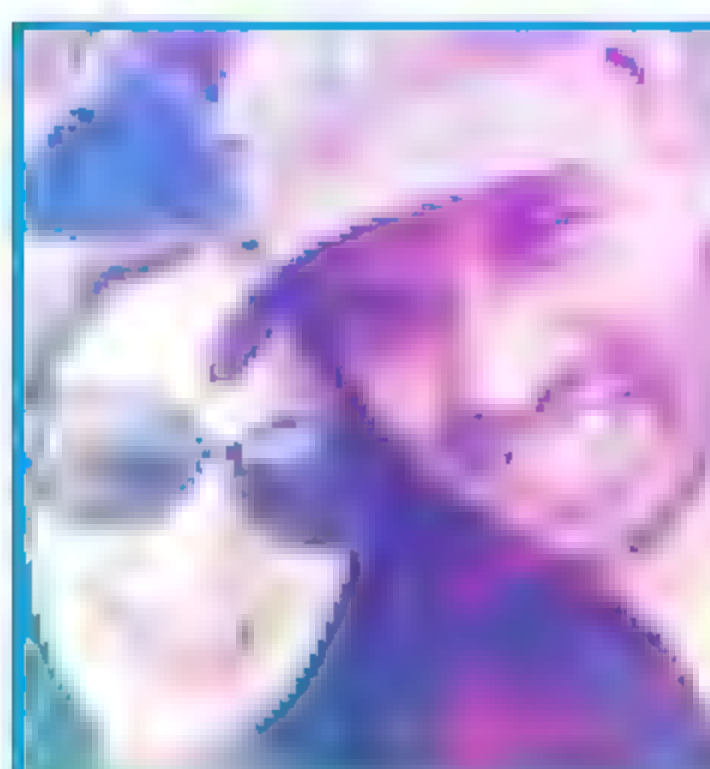
Age UK Leicester Shire &amp; Rutland's Clarence House present

**COMEDY COMES TO CLARENCE HOUSE - A CRAFTERNOON WITH CAROL & FRIENDS**

Age UK Leicester Shire & Rutland's Clarence House present a fun-filled Crafternoon with Carol & friends. Comedy for all ages and giggles for a good cause. So why not join this phenomenal multi-crafter, in her Crafternoon Masterclass and take-home skills you never wanted.

[www.ageuk.org.uk/leics](http://www.ageuk.org.uk/leics)

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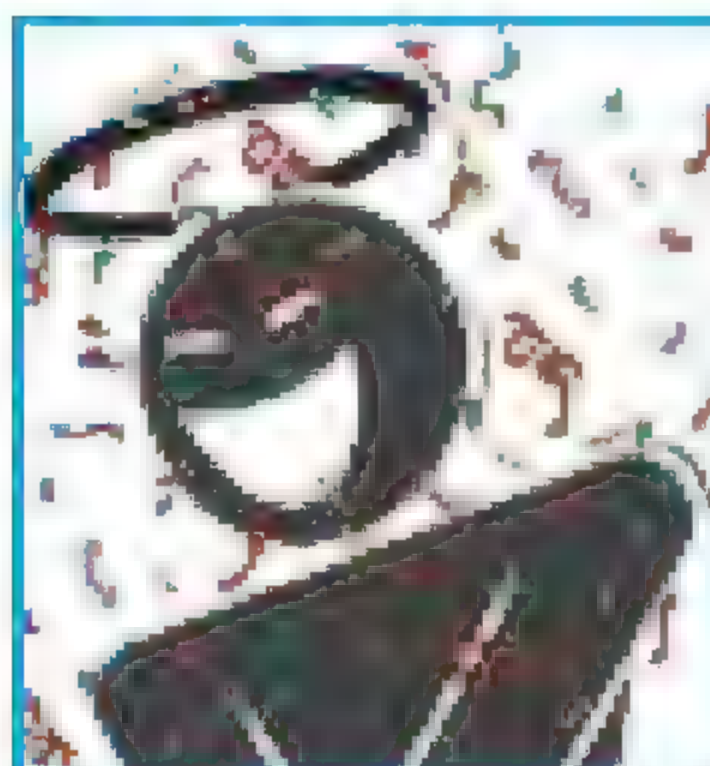
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**Time:** 15:00 (17:30)**Venue:** Clarence House Map Ref: 13**Entry:** £15

Monster Comedy Presents

**COMEDY COUPLES PARTY**

Join comedy couple Masai Graham and Kirsty Munro to celebrate Valentine's Day by watching them taking the piss out of each other! Win prizes for the 'least romantic thing your partner has said or done', and vote for the winner, in Masai and Kirsty's 'Best Ever Arguments' showdown. A perfect Valentine's Gift for your other half. What says 'I love you' better than a cheap comedy night out for a fiver?

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

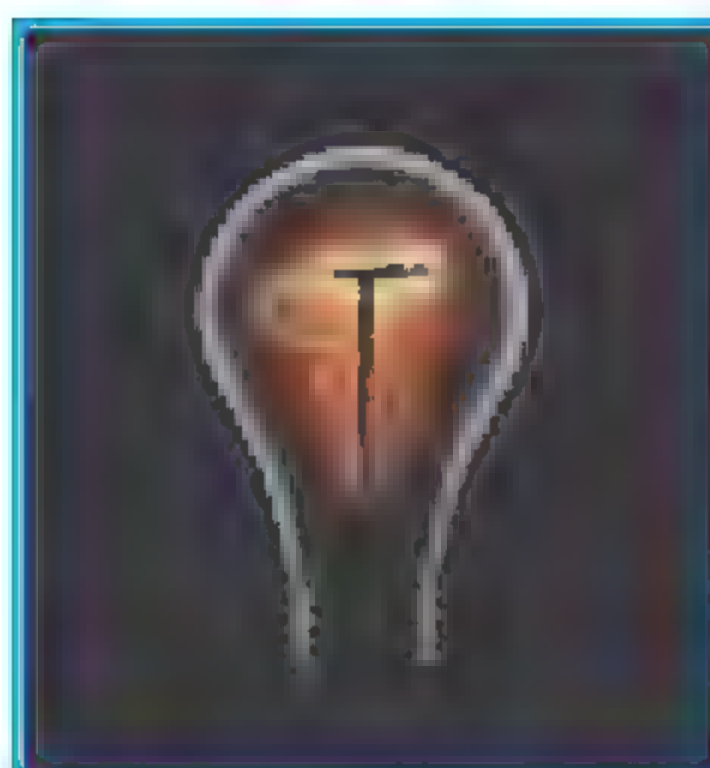
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 **14** 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 20:00 (21:00)**Venue:** King Richard III Map Ref: 29**Entry:** £5 advance or Pay What You Want

Big Difference present

**COMEDY HEAVEN - 30TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL**

Comedy Heaven is back, this time with a twist celebrating a very special birthday. Join Leicester Comedy Festival on the final night of 2023's mammoth event to celebrate 30 of years of the festival. Guests include Nish Kumar (The Mash Report), Arthur Smith (QI, Have I Got News For You), multi award winner Laura Lexx, and more special acts to be announced! In aid of registered charities Prostaids (1116935) and Big Difference Company (1135167).

MIXED BILL, EVENT

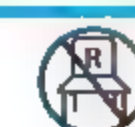
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**Time:** 19:00 (21:30)**Venue:** Curve Map Ref: 15**Entry:** £16

Big Difference present

**COMEDY IN THE DARK**

This unique comedy experience returns to the Leicester Comedy Festival off the back of sell-outs at Edinburgh Fringe 2022. At Comedy in the Dark, the audience's senses are heightened - things look and sound different. Guests have included Helen Bauer, Stuart Goldsmith, Tony Law, Dane Baptiste, Ahir Shah and Mrs Barbara Nice. "Destined to become one of the most talked about shows" (Time Out).

MIXED BILL

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 **18** 19 20 21 22 23 24 **25** 26
**Time:** 20:00 (21:00)**Venue:** Phoenix Map Ref: 39**Entry:** £10





Big Difference present

COMEDY IN THE DARK FOR KIDS

A special version of this unique comedy experience. It's still comedy, and it's still dark.... A perfect family show for half-term giggles! Please see our website for more details and the line-up as it's announced. Recommended for 8-12 year olds. Children must be accompanied by a paying adult.  
[ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)

CHILDREN'S, MIXED BILL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 18:00 (19:00)

Venue: Phoenix Map Ref: 39

Entry: £7



Monster Comedy Presents

COMEDY KARAOKE

What better way to top off a great night than with a bit of karaoke? Three top class comedians perform their set followed by their favourite Karaoke number. You vote for the winner to be crowned 'Comedy Karaoke Star'. After the show you can sing your heart out in the post show karaoke party at King Richard III. Promises to be a cracking night out.

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Waltham on the Wolds Village Hall present

COMEDY ON THE WOLDS

Join us for a mixed bill evening of laughter in rural Leicestershire, with talents hand picked by the team behind Leicester Comedy Festival. Hosted by Will Duggan ('funny as f\*ck' (Chortle) | 'effortlessly brutally funny' \*\*\*\*\* (Joe.co.uk)) More acts to be announced! The show sells out every year, grab your tickets now! Bar open from 6pm until after the show with food also available to pre order.

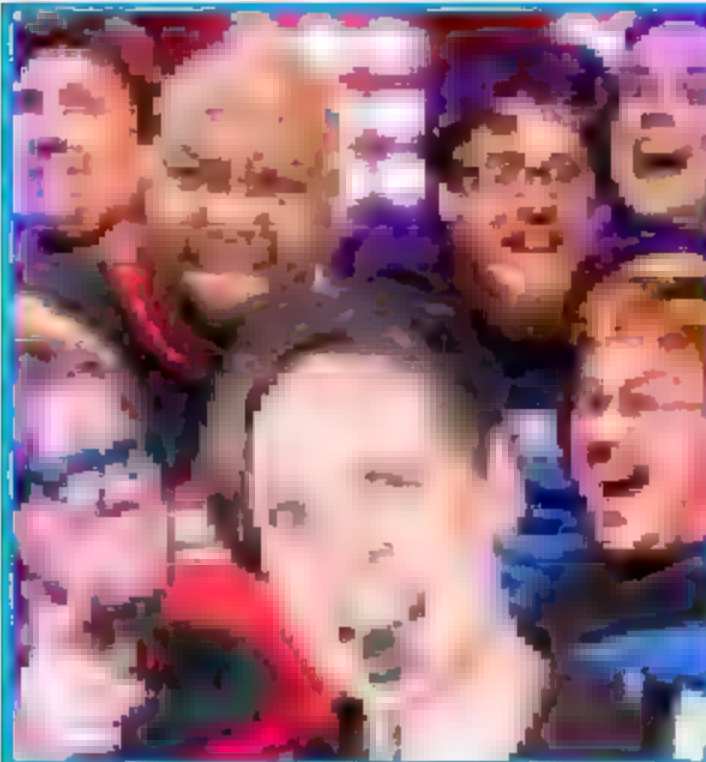
MIXED BILL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (21:00)

Venue: Waltham on the Wolds Village Hall Map Ref: 63

Entry: £12.50



CSzUK

COMEDYSPORTZ UK

You've seen football. You've seen tennis. But have you seen comedy as a sport? Don't miss the festival's funniest fixture as two teams battle it out for your laughs with quick-witted gags, games, sketches and songs inspired by your suggestions. There's a referee on hand to ensure a good clean match - it's a family-friendly show, after all - with penalties for bad behaviour and bad jokes. Who wins? You decide!  
[www.comedysportz.co.uk](http://www.comedysportz.co.uk)

CHILDREN'S, IMPROV

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 13:00 (14:00)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £8 (£6)



Jokes On Us Present

CONLAN BEATS THE DEVIL

A Devilishly funny Comedy Magic show from those esteemed purveyors of diabolic deception, Mr Damon Conlan and Mr Richard Dadd. Gasp as the hapless conjurer signs away his soul to the Very Devil Himself! Shriek as Lucifer imbues him with bona fide magical powers! Applaud as they perform miracles which defy explanation! Warning: the show may slash open a portal to the underworld through which obscene horrors rise and wreak unspeakable devastation.  
[damonconlan.co.uk](http://damonconlan.co.uk)

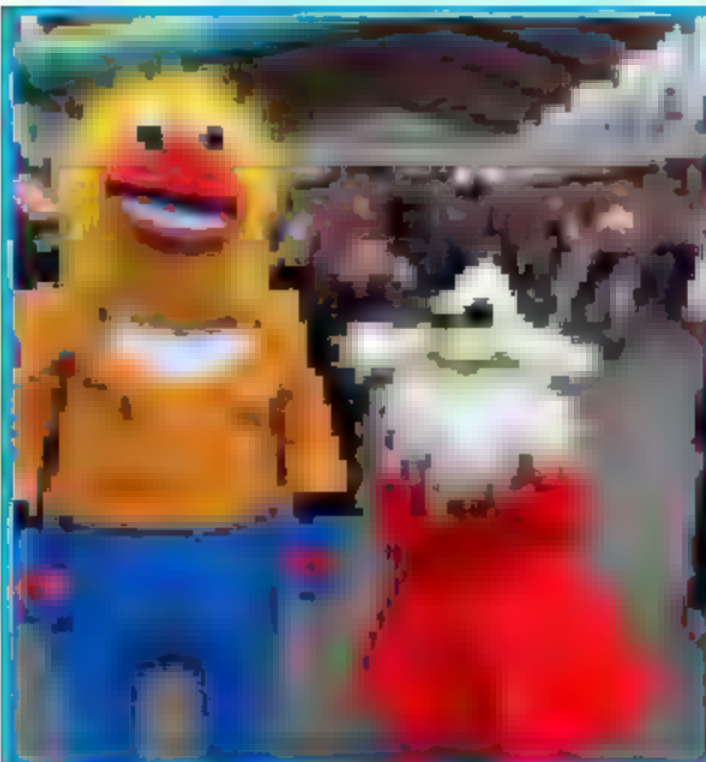
MAGIC, CHARACTER

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 22:30 (23:30)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Consignia & CCCP

WORLD PREMIERE

CONSIGNIA PRESENTS: ALL THE PUNKS ARE BOOMERS NOW

Ever get the feeling you've been cheated? "...way too much Vicks" \*\*\*\* Chortle "But what's not to enjoy about a man in a high visibility jacket rubbing Vick's over his face and sitting for 40 minutes with his head in a bucket?" \*\*\*\* The Scotsman

MUSICAL, THEATRE

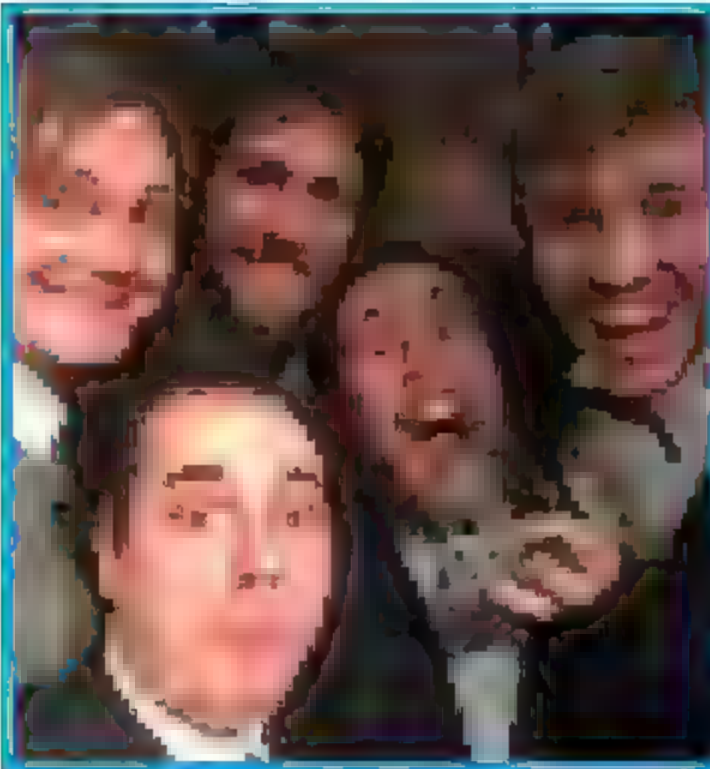
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Time: 22:30 (23:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want





### CONVERSATION GARDEN: 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY SHOW

**WORLD PREMIERE**


It's been an entire decade since Leicester's cult comedy troupe Conversation Garden was founded. In that time we have seen (in ascending order of damage caused) Brexit, a Pandemic and Baby Shark. Join us as we toast a decade of chaos with a heady cocktail of board games, improv, live music, and unnecessarily complex framing devices. Winners of Best Improv show in LCF 2018

**GAME SHOW, SKETCH**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 22:00 (23:00)

**Venue:** Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

**Entry:** £10 (£7)


Furthest from the Sea presents

### COPPEN THROUGH LIFE

Have you ever wondered what life is like being 3'10"? What doing day to day activities are like? Well wonder no more, as George Coppen takes you through his life from his humble beginnings at school to right here right now. Because from where he's standing, life is very different.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC20yRrDMK0j2XKi4ZEQ3fPQ>
**STAND UP, STORYTELLING**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 19:00 (20:00)

**Venue:** Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30

**Entry:** £5


Monster Comedy presents

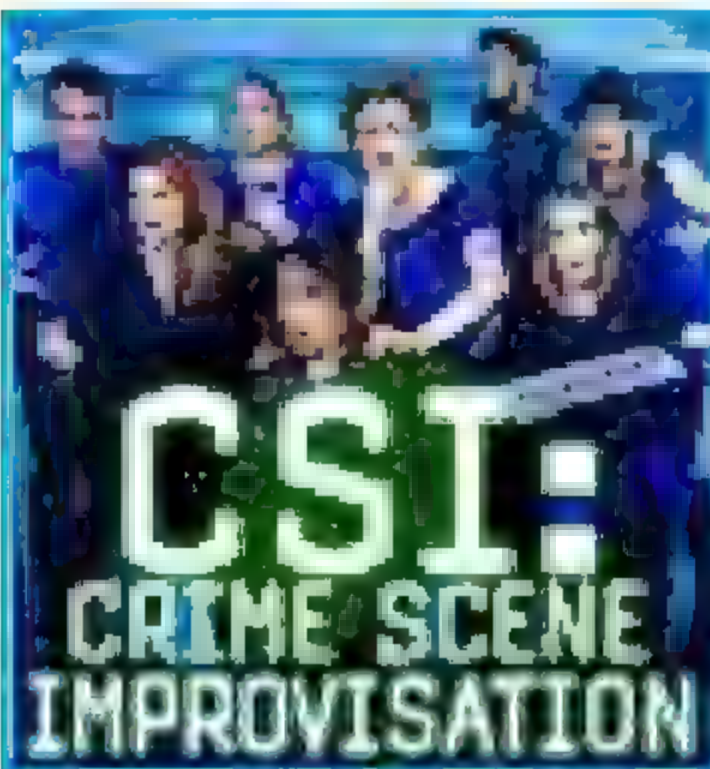
### CRACKING JOKES AT THE CRADOCK

Monster Comedy is proud to launch its first ever pro comedy night in Clarendon Park, bringing you the best acts from the festival in 'Cracking Jokes at The Cradock'. Featuring headliner, Kate Martin, Funny Women 2022 Finalist. With MC Kirsty Munro and 2022 Joke of the Fringer Winner, Masai Graham. Promises to be a cracking night of top class comedy.

**MIXED BILL, STAND UP**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 19:30 (21:30)

**Venue:** The Cradock Arms Map Ref: 47

**Entry:** £10


The Chandeliers present

### CSI: CRIME SCENE IMPROVISATION

Mirth meets murder in the world's daftest whodunnit. Following five-star sell-out runs at the Edinburgh Fringe, festival favourite CSI: Crime Scene Improvisation returns to Leicester with a rip-roaring crime comedy made up entirely on the spot. A fully improvised, witty and absurd murder mystery. No one knows who the killer is; not even the cast! 'A spectacular must see' \*\*\*\*\* (Bunbury) 'A novel idea, executed superbly' \*\*\*\*\* (The Wee Review)

[www.crimesceneimpro.com](http://www.crimesceneimpro.com)
**IMPROV, THEATRE**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 19:30 (20:30)

**Venue:** BrewDog Map Ref: 10

**Entry:** £10 (£8)

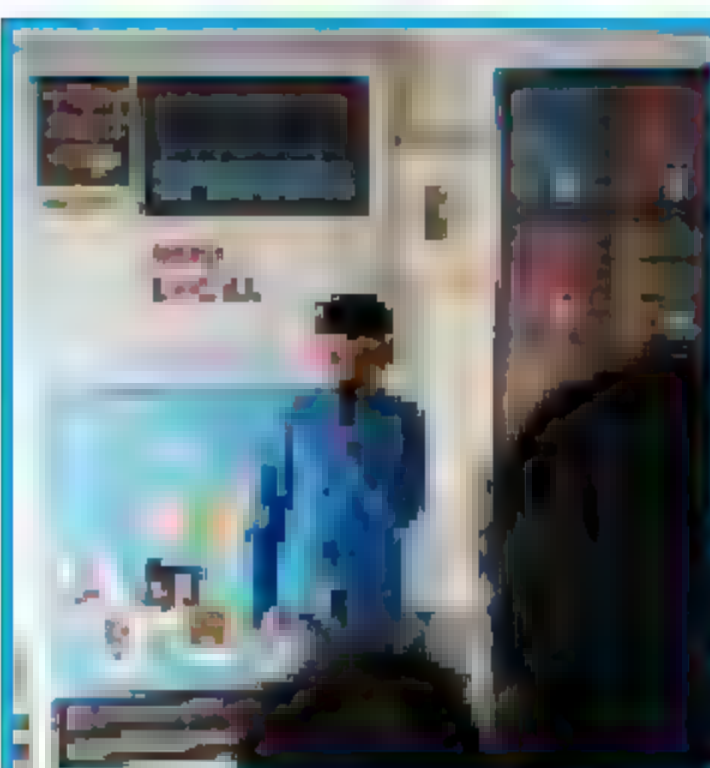

### CULTURAL COMEDY TOURS

Cultural Comedy Tours brings together hilarious comedians with fascinating art galleries, exhibitions and museums to take you on a journey of discovery, half-truths, full-truths and an unforgettable tour. Described as 'fun, relaxed, silly, informative', join us as a comedian and take you on a tour of the Attenborough Arts Centres Gallery and see it through their eyes. Previous comedians include Charlie George, Foxdog Studios and Rob Kemp.

<https://www.culturalcomedytours.com>
**EXHIBITION, IMMERSIVE**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 18:00 (19:00)

**Venue:** Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4

**Entry:** FREE


LCB Depot present

### CULTURAL QUARTER EARLIES: COMEDY FESTIVAL SPECIAL

Join us for this month's family day at LCB featuring Comedy for Kids, a chance for kids to Take The Mic with their own jokes in the comedy festival's smallest comedy club... and loads more silly activities. Then get lunch at Grays and take a free rickshaw to creative activities across the rest of the Cultural Quarter.

[lcbdepot.co.uk](http://lcbdepot.co.uk)
**CHILDREN'S, EVENT**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 12:00 (16:00)

**Venue:** LCB Depot Map Ref: 32

**Entry:** FREE



BE PART OF OUR TEAM!

It's the festival's 30th anniversary! If you want to experience behind the scenes and be part of what we do in a very big year, then why not volunteer with us?  
Info at: [volunteers@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk](mailto:volunteers@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk)



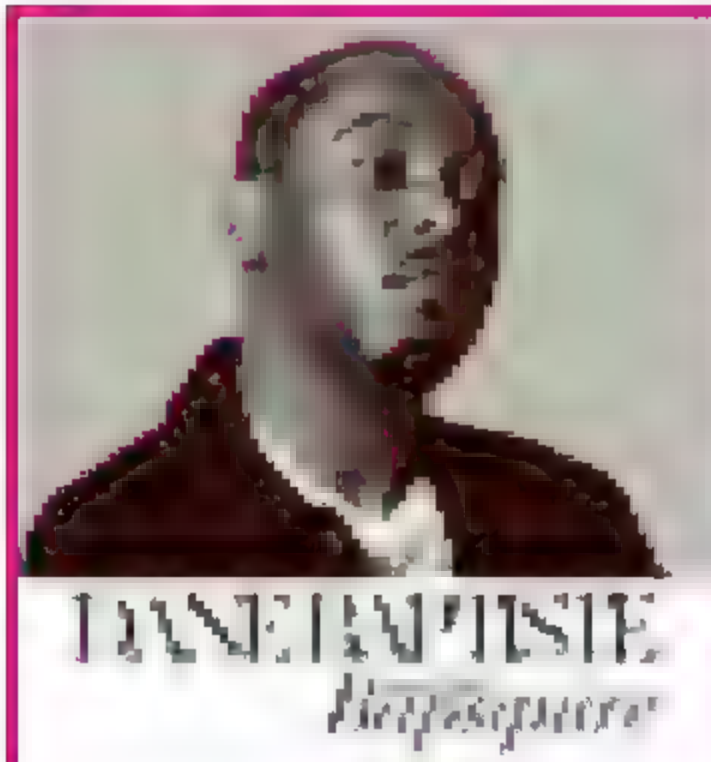
UTC present

**DAMAN BAMRAH + 1 (WIP)**

Daman Bamrah is a confused young man, constantly juggling his identities as a born and bred Londoner alongside his Indian Sikh heritage. Come and watch him unravel the ridiculous tales his life has sprouted in this WIP show.  
<https://www.damanbamrah.com/>

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	16:00 (17:00)
Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£8



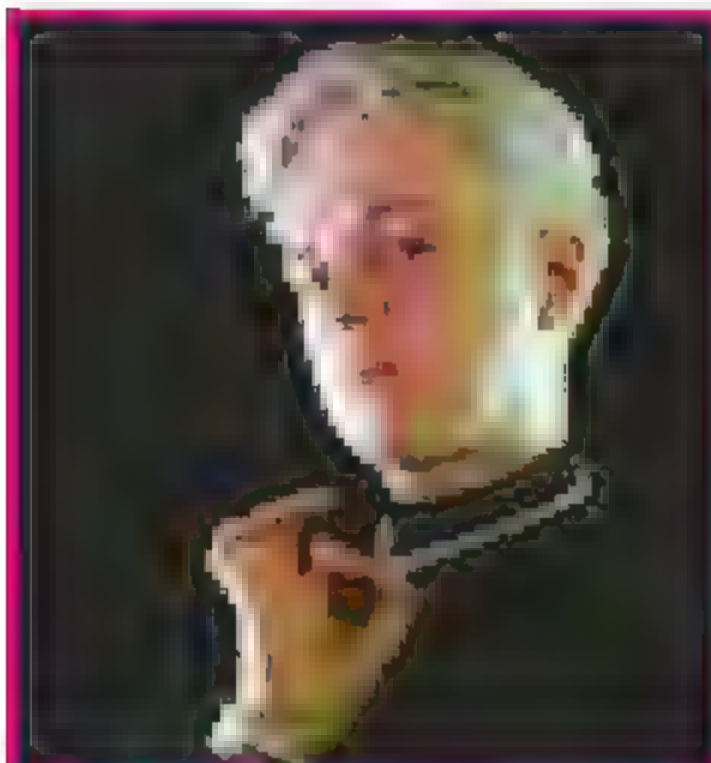
UTA & Insanity present

**DANE BAPTISTE: BAPSQUIRE**

BAPSQUIRE: Following his award-nominated tour 'The Chocolate Chip', Dane Baptiste returns with a brand new show. He's a grown man now, approaching life in a more sophisticated way. Dane is revamping his "Angry Black Man" media image as maturity is supposed to mellow you out. He's becoming a more restrained grumpy old man. Dane is prepared to adapt or go extinct. No longer going by Dane-Ger, Asap Bap or Joke Dza, his new persona is BAPSQUIRE.  
<https://danebaptiste.co.uk/>

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:00 (21:00)
Venue:	The Big Difference Map Ref: 45																			Entry:	£10



Off The Kerb Productions present

**DANIEL FOXX: VILLAIN (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

Heroes are boring. Draped in pearls and something uncomfortable from Zara, join Daniel Foxx as he tries out jokes for a show that will, eventually, be about embracing your inner baddie and having a little fun for goddamn once. As seen on BBC One, BBC Three, Tour Support for Sofie Hagen, Josh Widdicombe and Judi Love, and on TikTok ('Bedtime Stories for Privileged Children', 'The Supervillain's Gay Assistant').

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (20:30)
Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£6



Jokes on Us and Ingenious Fools Present

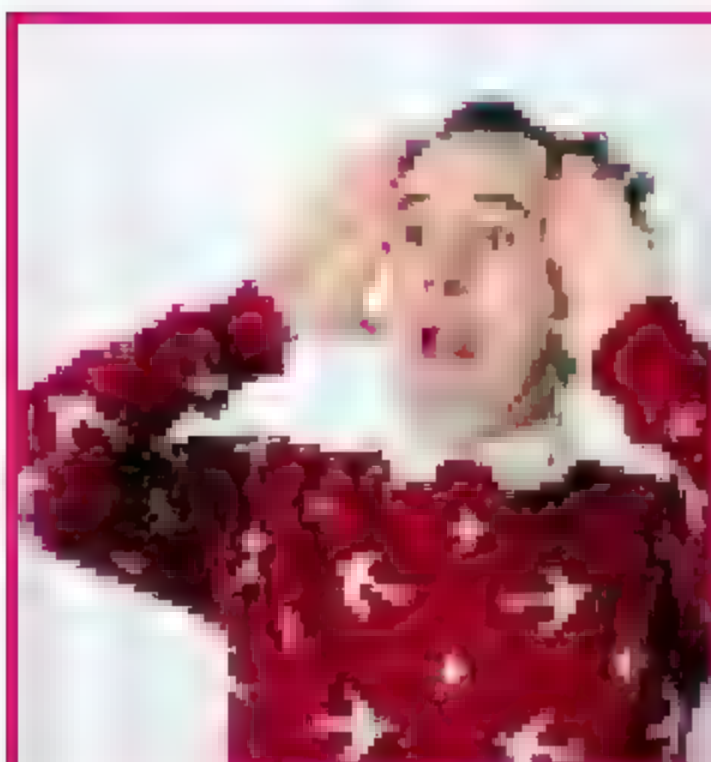
**DANIEL NICHOLAS: ALTERNATIVE HOUR**

Daniel Nicholas ('Someone as inventive as this should have a future in comedy' Chortle) has spent years kidding himself that he wasn't an alternative act, he brushed off that nomination in 2015/16 & 17 for Best Alternative act in the Midlands Comedy awards as an repeated administrative error. But after a lacklustre rendition of 'Happy Birthday' by the people of Bishop Auckland, Daniel, has chosen to lean in to the very thing he thinks he isn't.  
[www.danielnicholas.co.uk](http://www.danielnicholas.co.uk)

WORLD PREMIERE

ALTERNATIVE, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (20:30)
Venue:	Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



Jokes on us and Ingenious Fools Present

**DANIEL NICHOLAS: PARTY HOUR**

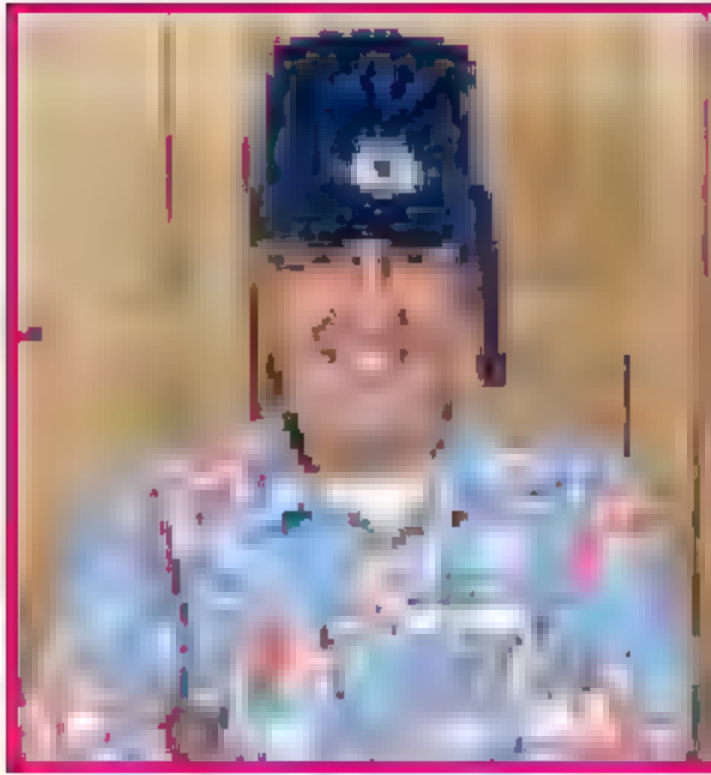
Daniel Nicholas ('a powerful performer' - Notts Comedy Reviewer, Best Improv Show Leicester Comedy Festival) is having a party and you're invited. He's looking to make some new friends - don't worry he'll be bad at staying in touch with you long term. The agenda? Fun, games and who can do the best Sean Connery impression.  
[www.danielnicholas.co.uk](http://www.danielnicholas.co.uk)

WORLD PREMIERE

INTERACTIVE, SOLD SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	14:50 (15:50)
Venue:	Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



**DANNY BAKER**

After two hellzapoppin' national solo tours, and a successful adventure with Bob Harris taking their conversation show Backstage Pass to venues around the country, Danny Baker is back and better than ever! Sure to be a free-wheeling and stupendous show.  
[demontforthall.co.uk](http://demontforthall.co.uk)



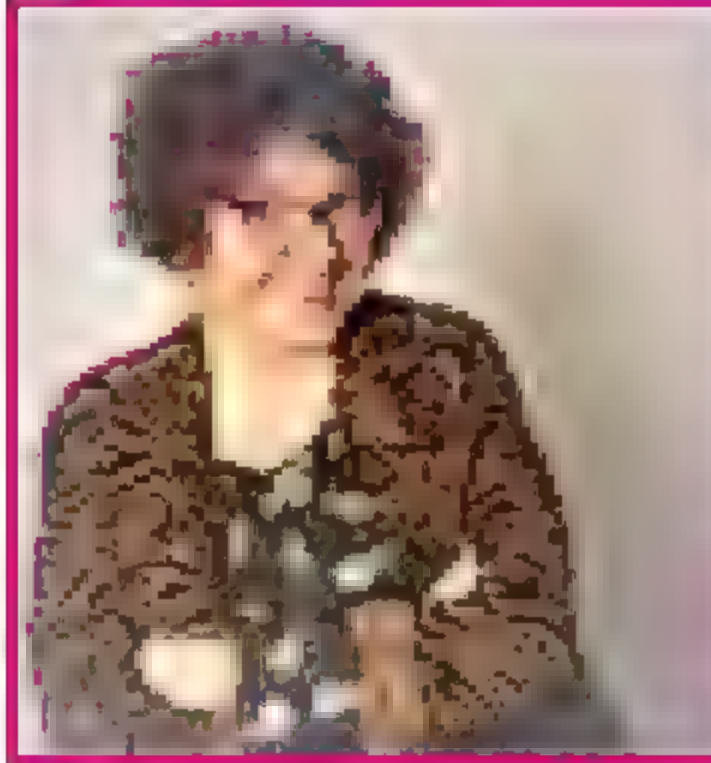
STAND UP

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Time: 19:30 (21:30)

Venue: De Montfort Hall Map Ref: 16

Entry: £30



NCF &amp; Late Stage Comedy present

**DAPHNA BARAM: OUT AND ABOUT**

Full of antibodies and menopausal rage, Daphna Baram emerges out of her safe cave into her 50s, to find out what is left of our world as we knew it. 'Amazing... Full of hearty laughs and hopefulness, Baram wins the audience over' \*\*\*\* (TheWeeReview.com). 'Masterful' \*\*\*\*\* (BunburyMagazine.weebly.com). 'Fascinating... engaging presence' (Chortle.co.uk). 'Lovely variety of funny' (One4Review).  
[www.missdcomedy.com](http://www.missdcomedy.com)



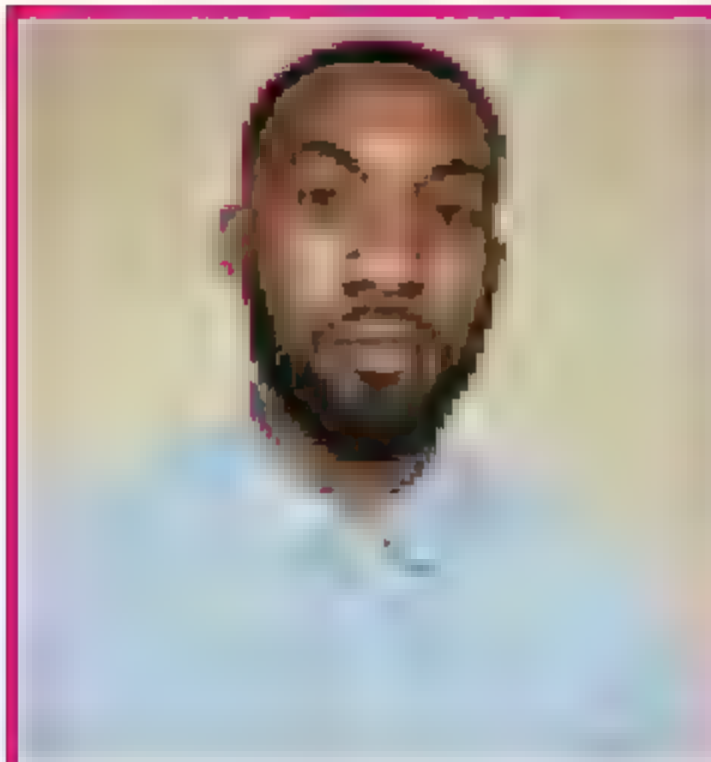
STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £7 (£5)



Avalon Presents

**DARRAN GRIFFITHS: INCONCEIVABLE (WIP)**

"A comedian, host, and podcaster born in raised in Harlow, Darran Griffiths has a blend of Caribbean confidence and Essex irreverence. In 2019, he sold out his debut show 'Essex Bwoy' at the Camden Fringe, which was then followed by being a 2021 British Comedian of the Year semi-finalist. 2022 saw Darran reach the semi-final of the BBC New Comedy Awards."

<https://www.darrangriffiths.com/>



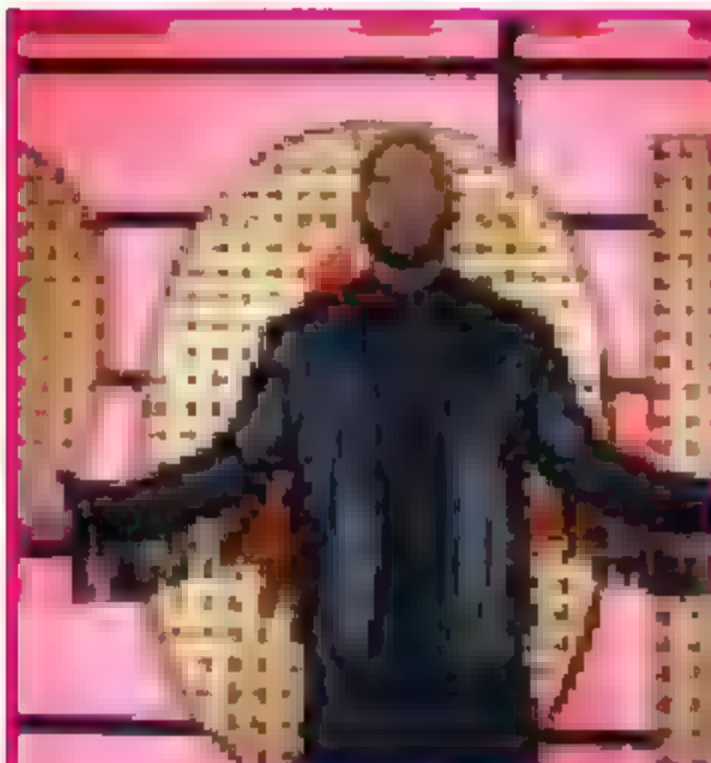
STAND UP

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Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Blue Book present

**DARREN HARIOTT: WORK IN PROGRESS**

TV includes Live at The Apollo, Guessable, Britain's Best Take Away, Love Island: Aftersun and The Last Leg. His Radio 4 series' Black Label covered his time as a teenager in gangs in Birmingham; this has led him to be a guest on The Adam Buxton Podcast - Darren has a lot of stories to tell! Double Edinburgh Comedy Awards Nominee "Funny emotional hour of excellent storytelling and jokes" \*\*\*\*\* The List

<https://darrenharriott.com>



STAND UP

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Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: BrewDog Map Ref: 10

Entry: £7



Jokes on Us

REGIONAL PREMIERE

**DARREN HARIOTT & ESHAAN AKBAR: SHAME IS DELICIOUS - LIVE PODCAST**

Shame is Delicious is the podcast from comedians Darren Harriott and Eshaan Akbar. The pair of friends/enemies and a guest will delight in their own shame, that of others and the lives and decisions of the truly shameless. We all enjoy stories of glorious failures and other's embarrassment and this is a chance to hear - and laugh about- some of the worst. Of course we'll be asking the audience about their most shameful moments too.

<https://linktr.ee/shameisdelicious>

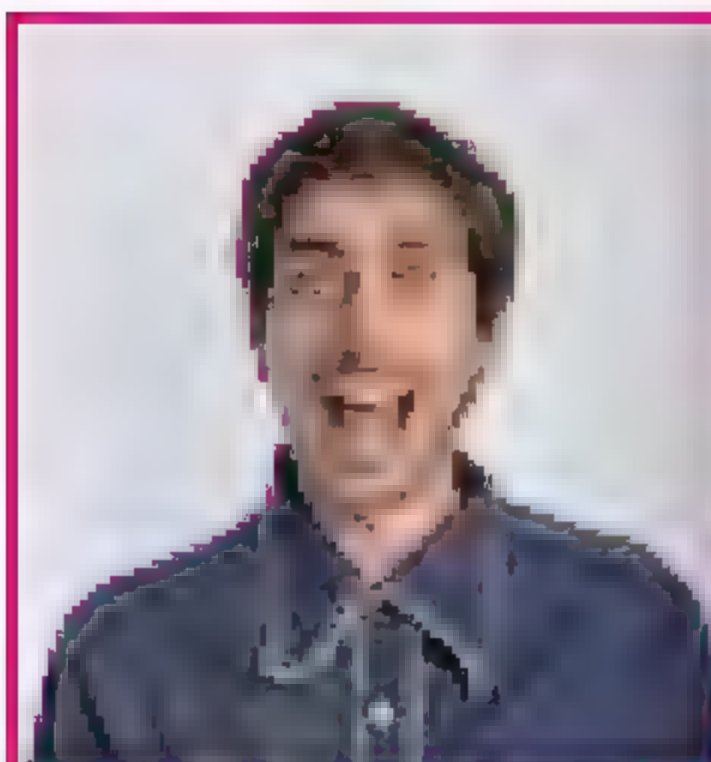
PODCAST, INTERACTIVE

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Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Monster Comedy Presents...

**DARREN WALSH: WORK IN PROGRESS 2023**

Join award-winning punslinger Darren Walsh for some new jokes. WINNER Dave's Joke of the Fringe, WINNER Leicester Comedy Festival best joke, Top 10 jokes of the fringe lists Guardian, Telegraph, Mirror & The Scotsman. Please don't come if you don't like puns. Seriously, there's a lot of puns. Like: "My uncle stopped being silly for a while, but now he's made a fool recovery", that kind of thing. "Unstoppable tsunami of stupid puns." - Chortle.

[darrenwalsh.co.uk](http://darrenwalsh.co.uk)



STAND UP, SOLD SHOW

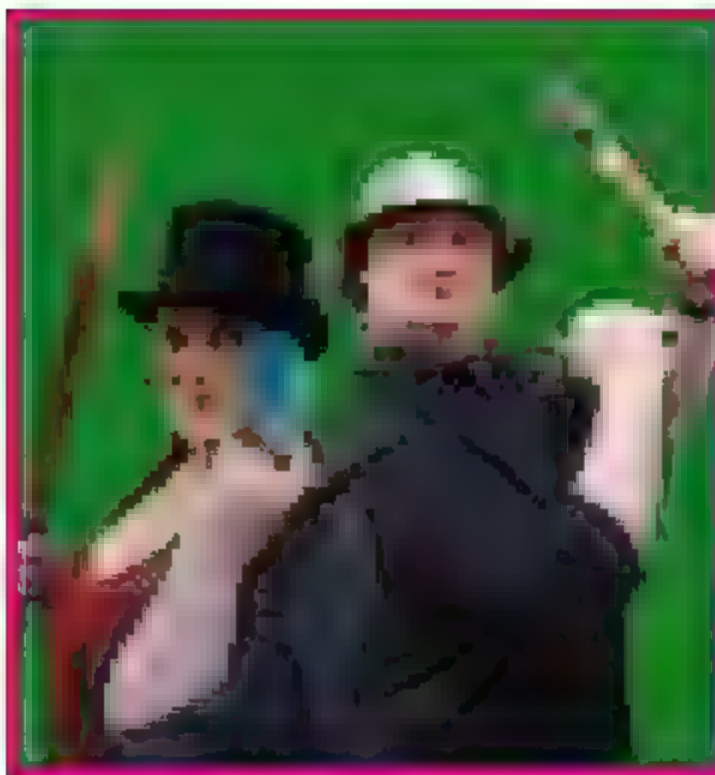
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Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



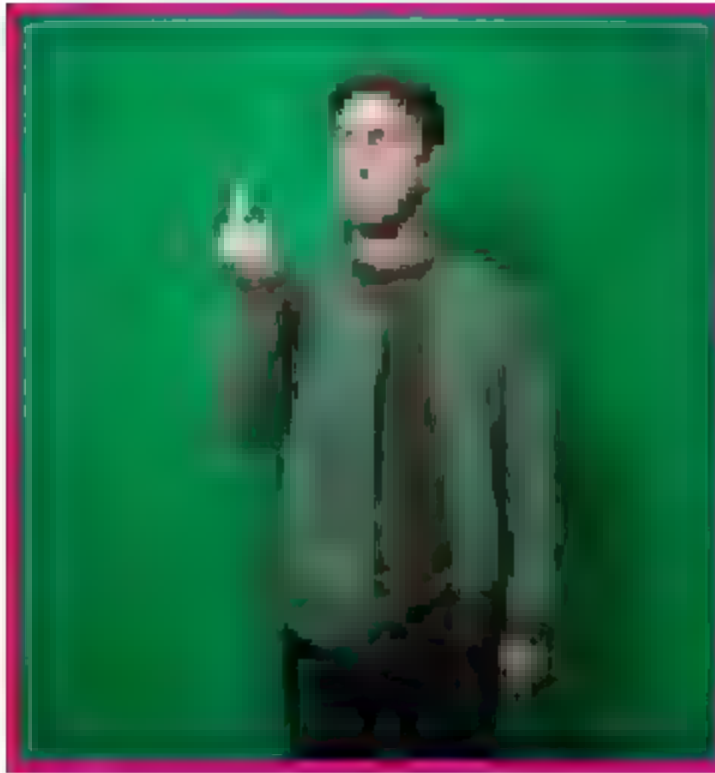


**DATE NIGHT: IMPROVISED HISTORY**

What was your favourite date? Join Leicester's own Adam & Hannah as they use their encyclopaedic\* knowledge of the past to bring history to life right in front of you, entirely made up on the spot. No scripts, no rehearsals, just two performers and a selection of anachronistic hats. "Genuinely funny!" "I'm exhausted with mirth!"

IMPROV, SKETCH

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 19:30 (20:30)
Venue:	Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61																			Entry: £8



Jokes On Us Present

**DAVE BIBBY: BABY DINOSAUR**

Dave Bibby "madcap musical-character-sketch comedy pioneer" (BROADWAY WORLD) is back with a show about parenthood and dinosaurs. Packed with songs, sketches and "ahem" multi-award-winning stand up. "could develop cult status" (BROADWAY BABY) WINNER: New Online Comedian of the Year 2020, WINNER: Musical Comedy Awards Audience Favourite 2018, WINNER: SOLO Festival Best Male Act. A comedy show 65 million years in the making.  
[www.DaveBibby.com](http://www.DaveBibby.com)

STAND UP, HORROR

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 19:45 (20:45)
Venue:	Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us

**DAVE CHAWNER: FREELOSOPHY**

The history of Western philosophy... but fun! Think 'Horrible Histories' for weird ideas. Big concepts told through little stories by award-winning comedian, best-selling author & presenter Dave Chawner. As seen on BBC, ITV and Channel 4. As heard on Radio 1, Radio 2 and Radio 4. "Hilariously entertaining" - Mail On Sunday.  
[www.DaveChawner.co.uk](http://www.DaveChawner.co.uk)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 18:00 (19:00)
Venue:	The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



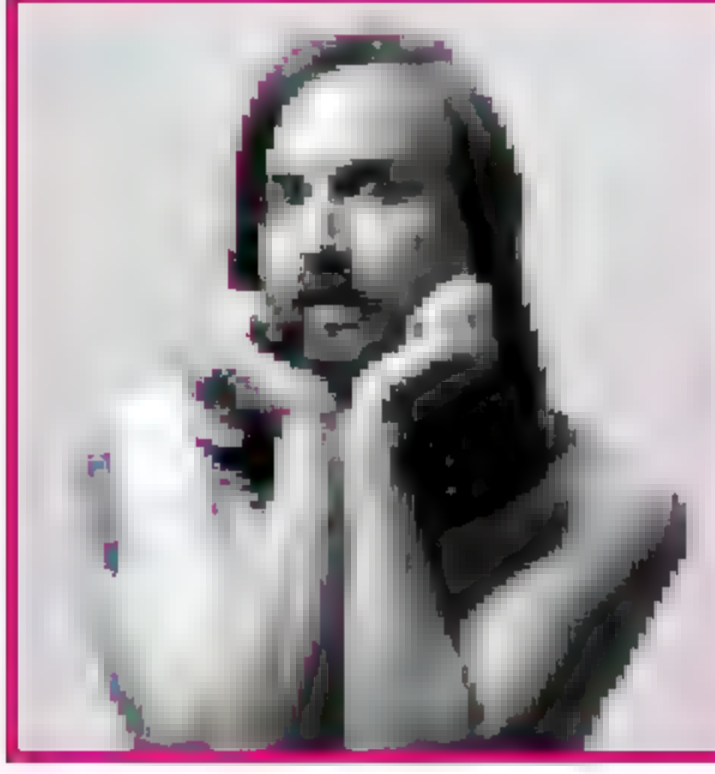
Funny Friends present

**DAVID FERGUSON: NICE BUM**

David Ferguson: Nice Bum- a funny thing, homelessness. Comedian David Ferguson invites you into his life where he had no where to live with a show described as "hilarious, heartbreaking and life-affirming" David Ferguson: Nice Bum is a show for people who like a little tragedy with their comedy. What does it take to end up rough sleeping in London? ... an important message in a brilliantly funny way... " Housing Justice.

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 21:00 (22:00)
Venue:	The Globe Map Ref: 50																			Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want

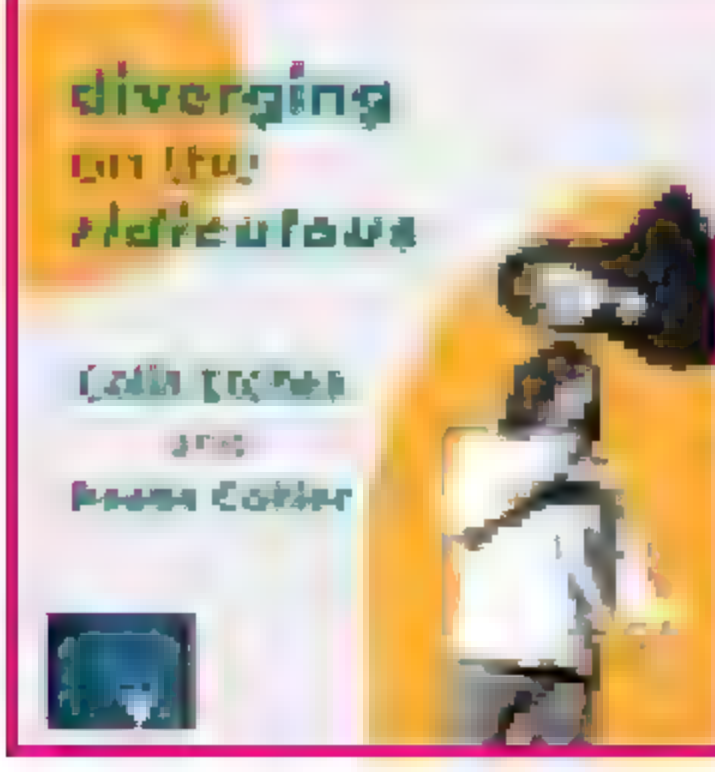


**DICK DENHAM: BIG DICK ENERGY**

A joint runner-up in the Comedy Bloomers LGBTQ+ New Act Competition 2022, Dick Denham is a non-binary thirtysomething comedian who takes the banality of everyday life and cleverly, and queerly, subverts it. You'll never experience a branch of Holland & Barrett or a commercial for the People's Postcode Lottery in the same way again! "Wonderful" - Jordan Gray; "So much fun" - Ella Vaday (Ru Paul's Drag Race UK)  
[dickdenham.uk](http://dickdenham.uk)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Monster Comedy

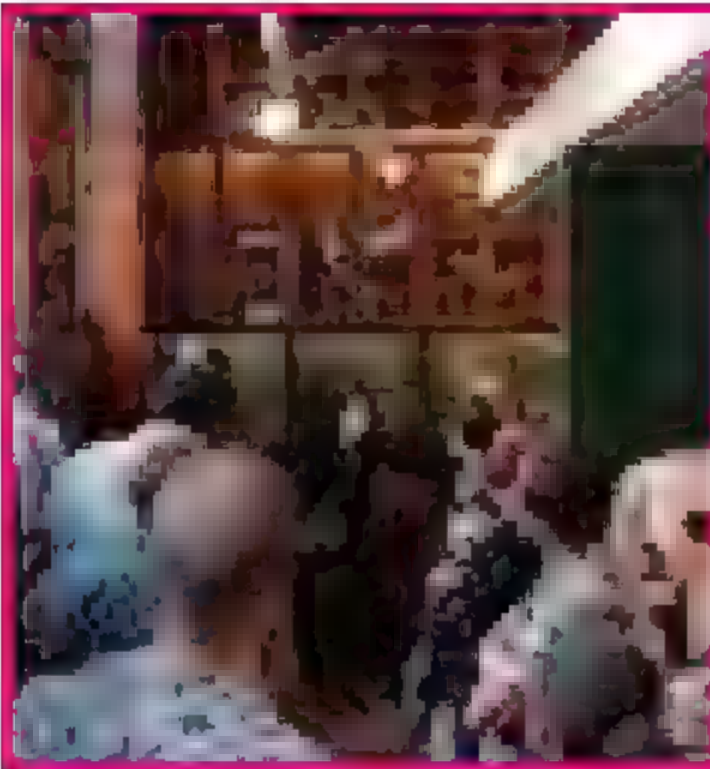
**DIVERGING ON THE RIDICULOUS**

Join Colin Etches (performance comic and ridiculous story monger) and Peebs Collier (dead pan surrealist with a flair for the silly), on a roller coaster of odd ball storytelling! Witness logic taken to its illogical conclusion. They are the clown fire brigade to your most burning questions: From the Bible to the three little pigs, veganism to communism and, of course conspiracy theory comfort breaks allowing time to admire the sheep(ie).

STAND UP

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Venue:	King Richard III Map Ref: 29																			Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want





Cultural Comedy Tours present

**DO YOU MIND IF I LAUGH?**

Why is it that the type of space we're in influences how we behave? Comedy Clubs, pubs and theatre's work great for comedy, but as soon as you change the setting to an Art Gallery, online or even an Ice Rink, people's perceptions change. In this panel discussion chaired by Cultural Comedy Tour's Edy Hurst explores why certain places you feel like you need permission to laugh and others you don't.



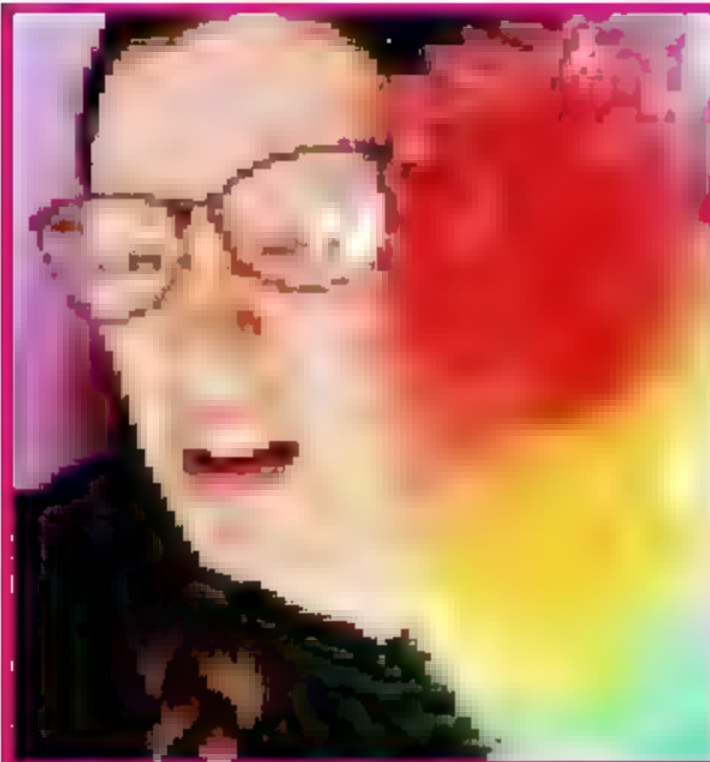
DISCUSSION

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Time: 14:00 (15:00)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE



Jokes On Us Present

**DONNA SCOTT: BADGER**

Wuffle! She's cute, she's an icon, she loves wildlife... but that's not why comedian Donna Scott is sometimes known as "Badger". Is it a fitting epithet? It's not always black and white... Bristling with determination and jokes, some of which are rough as. (BBC New Voices Final 10, Host of Apple Stand-up Top Ten podcast, Champagne Social Butterflies;) "Really, really funny" - BBC Radio Derby.

[www.donna-scott.co.uk](http://www.donna-scott.co.uk)

WORLD PREMIERE



STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Time: 19:45 (20:45)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Big Difference present

**DRAG QUEEN STORY HOUR UK @ ATTENBOROUGH ARTS CENTRE**

Introducing The Storytime Drag Queen, it is Aida H Dee! We are very excited to welcome Aida to The UK Kids' Comedy Festival to read us her very own children's LGBT books, plus many many more! Are you sitting comfortably? You are? THEN GET ON YOUR FEET because it is time for Drag Queen Story Hour UK!

<https://www.dragqueenstoryhour.co.uk/>

CHILDREN'S, STORYTELLING

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Time: 16:00 (17:00)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE



Big Difference present

**DRAG QUEEN STORY HOUR UK @ FOX BOOKS**

Introducing The Storytime Drag Queen, it is Aida H Dee! We are very excited to welcome Aida to The UK Kids' Comedy Festival to read us her very own children's LGBT books, plus many many more! Are you sitting comfortably? You are? THEN GET ON YOUR FEET because it is time for Drag Queen Story Hour UK!

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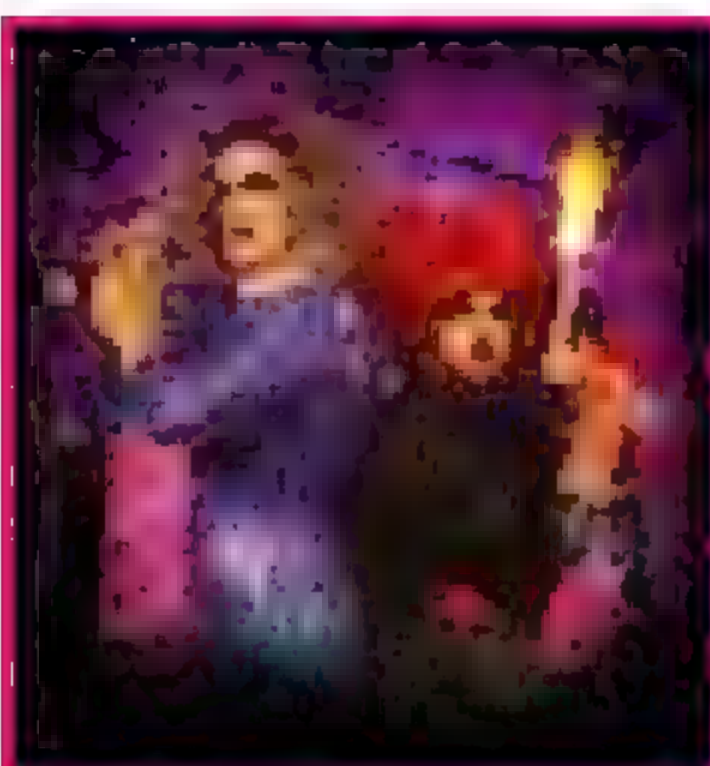
CHILDREN'S, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 12:00 (13:00)

Venue: Fox Books Map Ref: 21

Entry: FREE

**DRAG QUEENS VS. ZOMBIES**

'Dawn of the Dead' meets 'RuPaul's Drag Race' as award-winning drag stars Kate Butch and Crudi Dench face off against the undead in this blood-curdling, side-splitting, wig-snatching extravaganza! WINNER: Best Comedy award Buxton Fringe 2022 "Fast paced entertainment that really delivered on every level" \*\*\*\*\* LondonTheatre1 "Top notch camp, queer horror." \*\*\*\*\* North West End UK "Escapism from reality at its finest." \*\*\*\*\* London Pub Theatres

[hausofdench.co.uk](http://hausofdench.co.uk)

THEATRE, HORROR

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Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4

Entry: £10 (£8)

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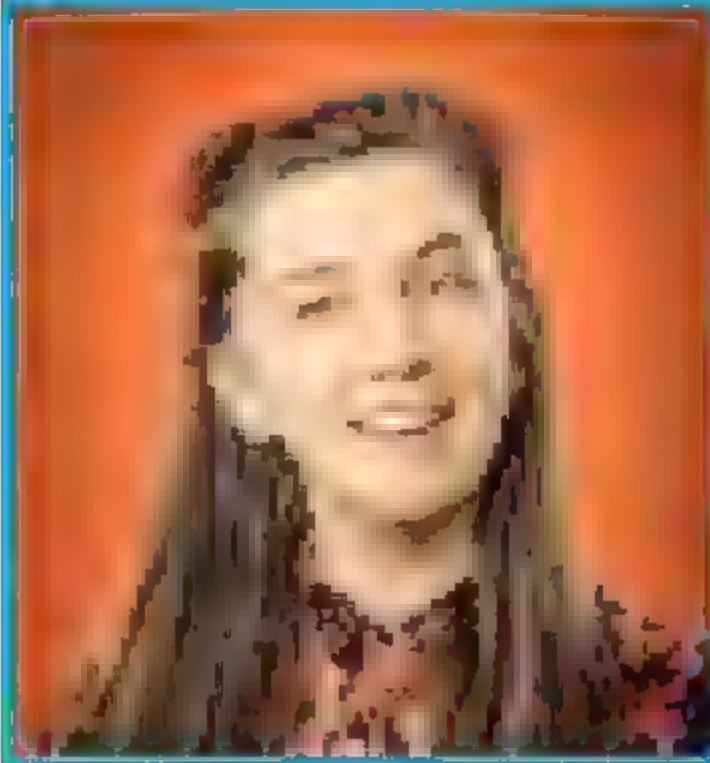
The Doorstep Comedy Club presents

### EAST LEAKE COMEDY SHOW

The Doorstep Comedy Club and The Leicester Comedy festivals debut show is coming to East Leake! Opening this show sees Leicester Mercury Comedian of the year winner Jack Gleadow. Rising star and hidden gem Harvey Hawkins mingles show, the awesome Adam Beardesmore hosts the night and one more special headliner closes what will be a great night of Stand up.  
<https://www.thedoorstepcomedyclub.com>

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 20:30 (23:00)
Venue:	East Leake Parish hall Map Ref: 18																			Entry: £15



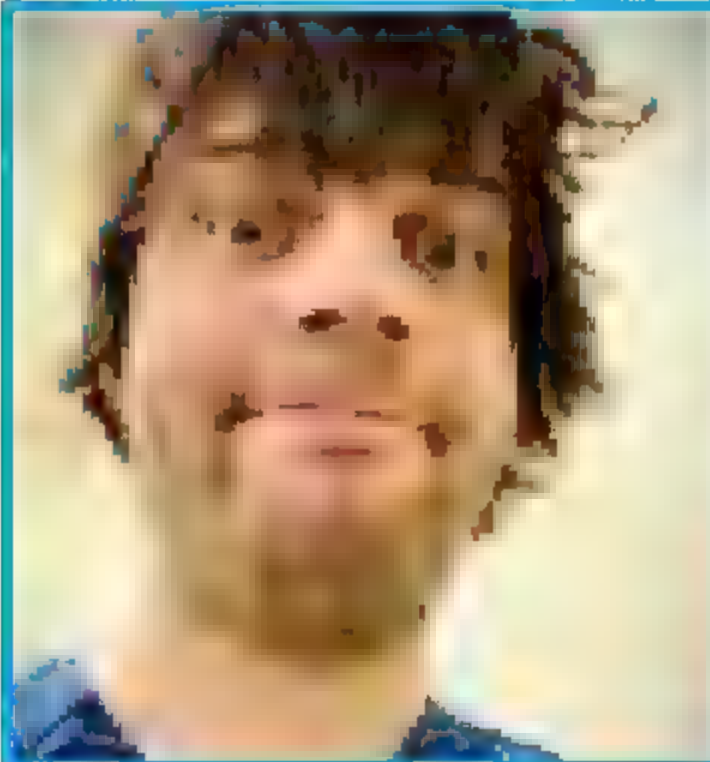
Jokes On Us Present

### EBAE: RUBY CARR (WIP)

Ruby Carr is a sucker for a bargain. Dive deep with her into the weird and wonderful world of eBay. Ruby is obsessed with the thrill of an auction because it's like shopping - but there's a winner. Ruby will show you all her favourite hidden worlds and the weird subcultures of eBay. Funny Women Comedy Writer Award 2022, Funny Women Stage Award "One to Watch" 2021, Amused Moose New Act of the Year Finalist 2019.

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Venue:	Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



NHS junior doctor, comedian and now author (oooooh, check him) Ed Patrick returns to the Leicester Comedy Festival with the makings of a new show. Come join as he works through material in the afternoon, named (for now) after his book Catch Your Breath: The Secret Life of a Sleepless Anaesthetist (available in all your favourite bookstores). 'Brilliantly funny' (Matt Lucas). 'Extremely funny' (Telegraph) 'Masterful, playfully provocative writing' [edpatrickcomedy.com](http://edpatrickcomedy.com)

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Venue:	The Big Difference Map Ref: 45																			Entry: £5



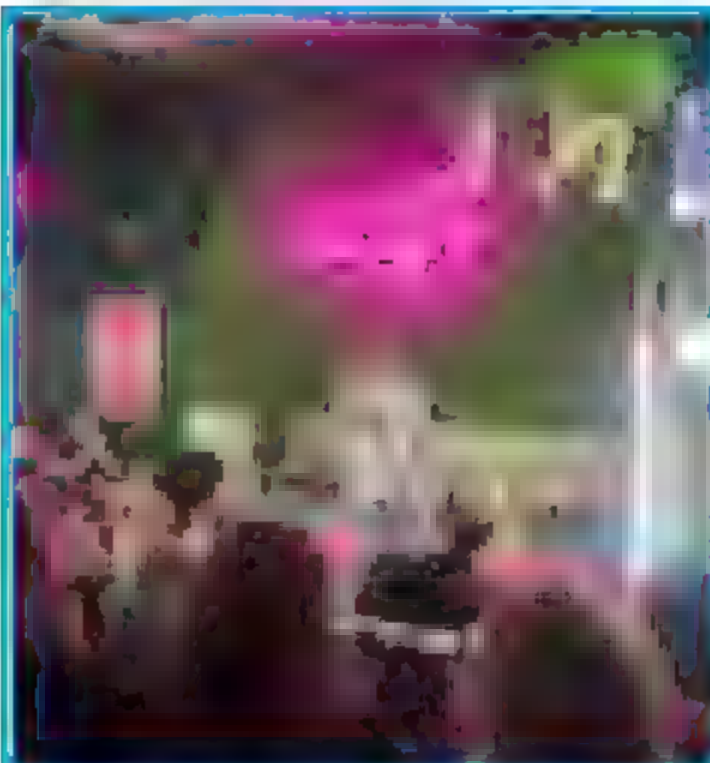
Jokes on Us Present

### EDY HURST'S COMEDY VERSION OF JEFF WAYNE'S MUSICAL VERSION OF H.G. WELL'S LITERARY VERSION (VIA ORSON WELLES' RADIO VERSION) OF 'THE WAR OF THE WORLDS'

If you're not on board by the title, I have no idea how this will convince you. 125 years of Martian Invasion remakes, reboots and re-pre-se-daptations put to rest in a one man lofi comedy rock opera. Finally! British Comedy Guide recommended show, 'Best Comedy Show' Buxton fringe nominee, as seen on Next Up, BBC Radio 4

MUSICAL, SATIRE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 19:20 (20:20)
Venue:	Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



### EGAN'S COMEDY CLUB - COMPILATION SHOW

Join Resident MC George Everitt as he hosts new material from three hilarious comedians from the UK circuit. Free Entry.  
<https://eganscomedy.wixsite.com/birmingham>

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 19:30 (21:30)
Venue:	Egan's Comedy Club at Sommar Leicester Map Ref: 19																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



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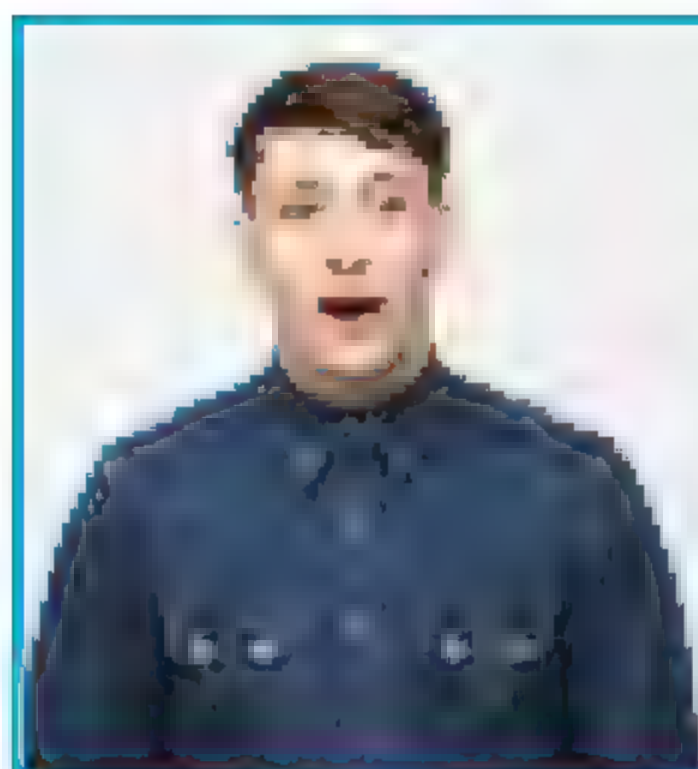
### ELEANOR TIERNAN: AWAY WITH THE FAIRIES

Glorious mistakes. Glaring errors. Gallant tales of mischief and misconduct. A bonkers hour of stand-up, story and song from Fest's idiot savant. 'Funny, fanciful and fearless' (Graham Norton). 'Masterful' (Chortle). 'Amiably acerbic' (Stewart Lee). 'Cliché-free and completely unconventional' (Herald). 'Runs the gamut from stupidity to sharp, humane to topsy-turvy hilarious... brilliantly original, logic-askew epiphanies' (Fest).  
[eleanortiernan.com/](http://eleanortiernan.com/)

STAND UP

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Venue:	Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17																			Entry: £8 advance or Pay What You Want





Off The Kerb Productions present

**ELLIOT STEEL: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Marked as 'One to Watch' by the Independent, Elliot Steel is a rising talent on the UK's comedy circuit. Receiving critical acclaim at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival with his show *Marked* in 2019, you won't want to miss this brand-new work in progress show. As seen on Comedy Central's *Roast Battle* and *Live from the Comedy Store*, and as heard on BBC Radio 1's *Comedy Lounge* and BBC Radio 4. Best Debut Show Nominee at Leicester Comedy Festival 2015.

STAND UP

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Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £6



Jokes On Us Present

**ELLIOT WENGLER: JOKEMON**

Elliot Wengler presents a spectacular, hilarious, and personal history of the world's biggest monster-fighting franchise. Finally, after years of failing to become a Pokémon Master, he has decided to become a Jokémon Master, with jokes on all 150 of them! Nerds and newcomers alike are welcomed to the comedy adventure of a lifetime! 'nice ideas, likeable performer' - Broadway Baby 'tight jokes and a loveable onstage persona' - Comedy Explosion

[elliottwengler.co.uk](http://elliottwengler.co.uk)

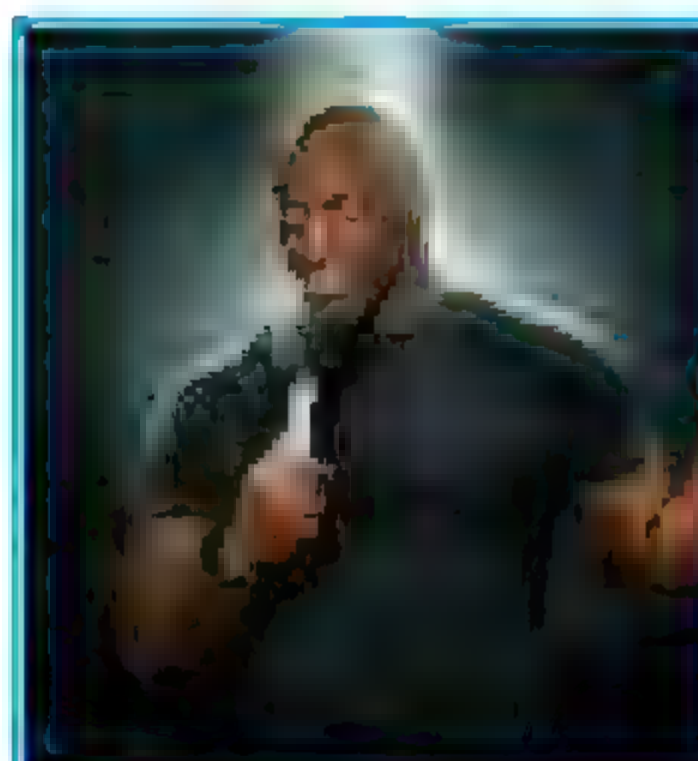
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 15:15 (16:15)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Brett Vincent for GetComedy proudly presents

**EMMANUEL SONUBI: EMANCIPATED**

Emmanuel returns to the Leicester Comedy Festival with his Edinburgh Comedy Award: Best Newcomer & Next Up Comedy Award: Best Show nominated show; *Emancipated*. Securing his title as 'The One To Watch' after having gone from open spot to closing BBC's 'Live at the Apollo' in an incredibly short space of time you will be seeing big things from this big man in the coming few years. "Side-splittingly funny, there are roaring laughs" The Independent

[www.emmanuelstandup.com](http://www.emmanuelstandup.com)

STAND UP

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Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: BrewDog Map Ref: 10

Entry: £12.50 (£11)

**ERIC RUSHTON: NOT THAT DEEP**

Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year Eric Rushton brings his brand-spanking new hour to the festival. As well as spanking brands, he'll be telling loads of jokes that range from good in quality to excellent in quality. He might also chuck in some poor ones for a laugh. "Manages to keep a stag party almost rapt even while talking about the toxic pressures of masculinity." Chortle "Reminiscent of Sean Lock" - The Scotsman

[ericrushton.com](http://ericrushton.com)

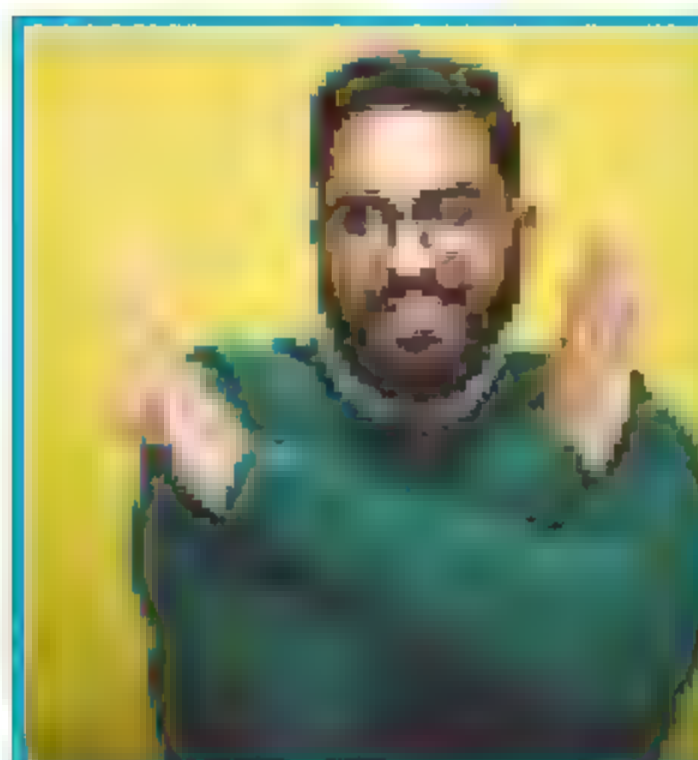
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 15:30 (16:30)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £8



Phil McIntyre Live Ltd by arrangement with Blue Book Management proudly presents

**ESHAAN AKBAR: THE PRETENDER**

Whether it's you, the person you go on a date with, your boss, or the opinion-makers on TV, we're all pretending we know what we're doing. We don't. And it's about time we all had a proper laugh about it. After supporting some of the biggest acts in the UK, be sure to buy tickets for this much-anticipated debut tour. As seen on *Mock The Week* (BBC), *QI* (BBC), heard on award-winning podcasts *Have A Word*, *Ninetwentyone*, and *Spitting Image*.

<https://www.eshaanakbar.com/>

SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £15 (£13)



Laughter Craft Comedy

**EVERARDS TIGER PRESENT ROAR WITH LAUGHTER @ THE BIRCH TREE, COALVILLE**

Join us at The Birch Tree, Coalville for a night of laughter, A top stand up comedy night featuring four of the best comedians from the U.K. circuit. Expect some faces you'll have seen on TV and some you will do soon.

<https://birchtreepub.co.uk/>

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:00 (22:00)

Venue: Birch Tree Map Ref: 8

Entry: £12





Laughter Craft Comedy

EVERARDS TIGER PRESENT ROAR WITH LAUGHTER @ THE HEATHCOTE ARMS, CROFT

Join us at The Heathcote Arms, Croft for a night of laughter. A top stand up comedy night featuring four of the best comedians from the U.K. circuit. Expect some faces you'll have seen on TV and some you will do soon.

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:00 (22:00)

Venue: The Heathcote Arms Map Ref: 54

Entry: £12



Laughter Craft Comedy

EVERARDS TIGER PRESENT ROAR WITH LAUGHTER @ THE ROSE AND CROWN, THURNBY

Join us at the Rose and Crown, Thurnby for a night of laughter. A top stand up comedy night featuring four of the best comedians from the U.K. circuit. Expect some faces you'll have seen on TV and some you will do soon.  
<http://www.roseandcrownthurnby.co.uk/>

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:00 (22:00)

Venue: The Rose and Crown Map Ref: 57

Entry: £12



Laughter Craft Comedy

EVERARDS TIGER PRESENT ROAR WITH LAUGHTER @ THE WHITE LION, WHISSENDINE

Join us at The White Lion, Whissendine for a night of laughter. A top stand up comedy night featuring four of the best comedians from the U.K. circuit. Expect some faces you'll have seen on TV and some you will do soon.  
<https://whitelioninn.com/>

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:00 (22:00)

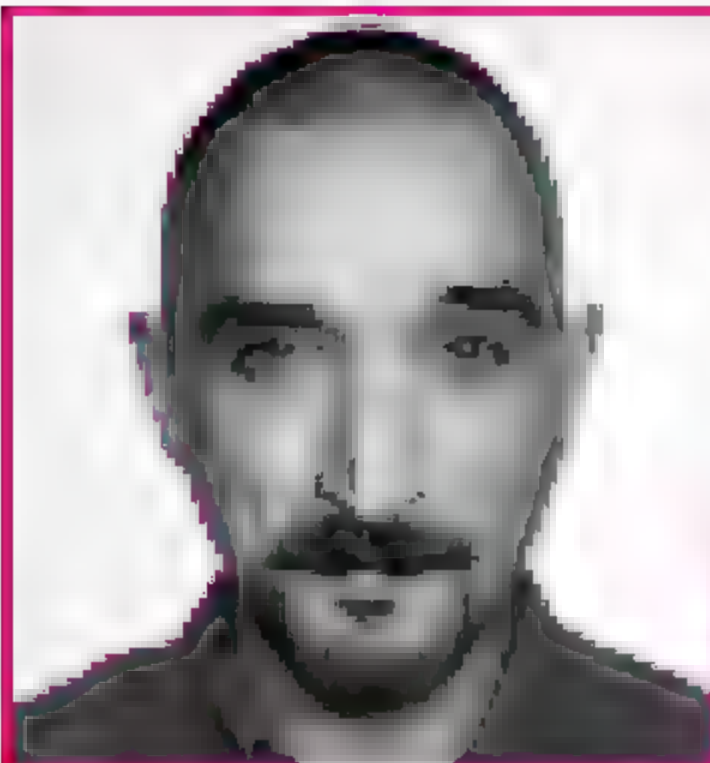
Venue: The White Lion Map Ref: 58

Entry: £12

HOW TO GET TICKETS!

BE SURE NOT TO MISS OUT!

Tickets for all festival shows and events are available from our box office.  
To get yours call 0116 456 6812 or go to [www.comedy-festival.co.uk](http://www.comedy-festival.co.uk)



F\*\*\* JANUARY: THE HOPELESS HUSTLE

This year will be 'my year'. I despise morons that say that but I can't lie, in January of 2022 I was one of those morons. That was until I found myself weeping on a 5\* hotel toilet having learnt I was being dropped by my agent. F\*\*\* January: The Hopeless Hustle explores the life and validation that we all seem to be seeking, whether it be through 'The Gram' or performing in dusty backrooms of pubs. What we have to give... is it all worth it?

STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (21:45)

Venue: The Globe Map Ref: 50

Entry: £6 (£4.50)



FALSE ECONOMY LIVE

Comedian Vix Leyton and Paul Watson rummage through the mental shopping baskets of a special (more famous than them) guest. A bit like Watchdog if it was on Dave Channel and Ann Robinson was wearing sparkly shoulder pads. We talk best things ever bought to the most burning rip offs guests can't get over. You might learn something, you'll definitely laugh.  
<https://shows.acast.com/false-economy>

PODCAST, STAND UP

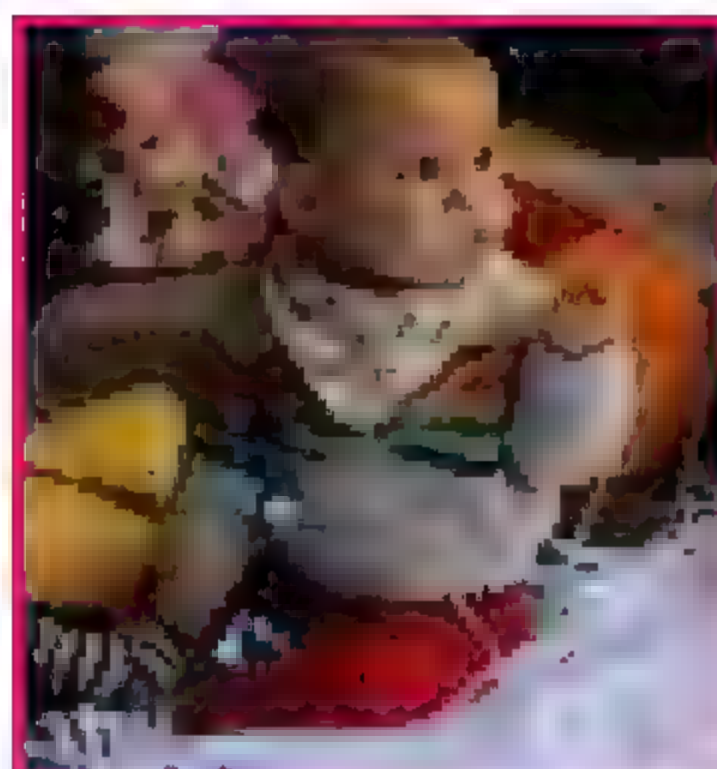
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Time: 14:30 (15:30)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £5 (£4)





Attenborough Arts Centre Presents

**FAMILY EXTRAVAGANZA : 'PLAYING IN WONDERLAND'**

Come for a fun filled day for a range of activities for all the family, during our new exhibition 'Playing in Wonderland' featuring family friendly comedy tours, workshops and space to explore your imagination. An funny day of making, moving and exploring for the whole family.

<https://attenborougharts.com>

FAMILY, INTERACTIVE

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 11:00 (15:00)**Venue:** Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4**Entry:** FREE

Off The Kerb present

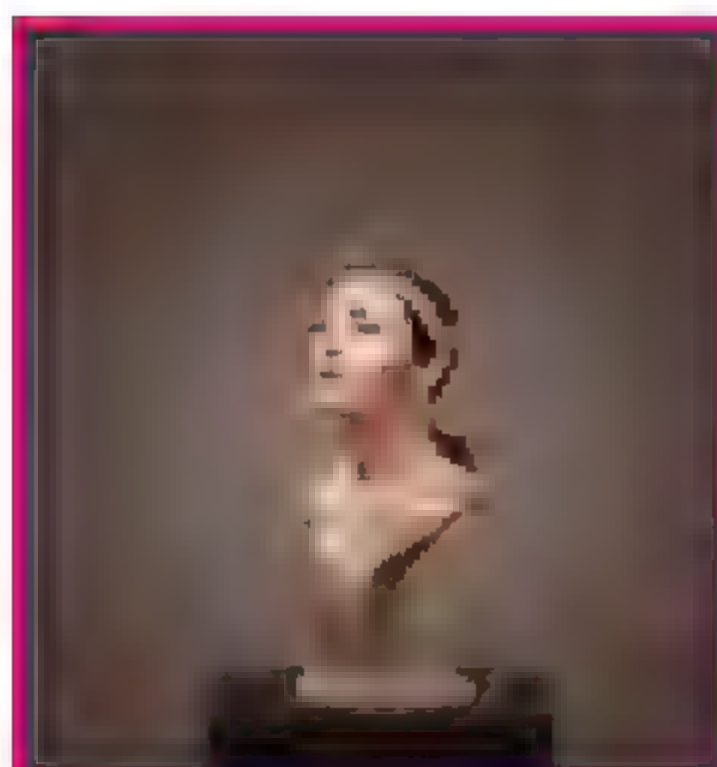
**FATIHA EL-GHORRI: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Underneath Fatiha's colourful hijab is a mind full of cutting observations and engaging witticism of the life and times of a British Muslim woman. Fatiha smashes the Muslim stereotypes and challenges people to think about what they think they know about Muslims, Muslim women especially. She tackles some tough subjects like Islamophobia and dating by sharing her own experiences which are funny, thought provoking and honest!

[twitter.com/fatihaelghorri](https://twitter.com/fatihaelghorri)

REGIONAL PREMIERE

STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 17:45 (18:30)**Venue:** Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17**Entry:** £4

Individual Artist Management present

**FERN BRADY: AUTISTIC BIKINI QUEEN**

One of the UK's most exciting comedians, Fern Brady is adding extra tour dates of her fifth solo show Autistic Bikini Queen. This comes hot off the heels of her previous sell out show 'Power & Chaos' which was filmed as a special and broadcast on BBC One. She also co-hosts the hit BBC Podcast 'Wheel of Misfortune' where she discovers and shares embarrassing moments from the general public and celebrity guests.

[fernbradycomedian](https://fernbradycomedian.com)

SOLO SHOW

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 19:30 (21:10)**Venue:** The Y Theatre Map Ref: 59**Entry:** £16

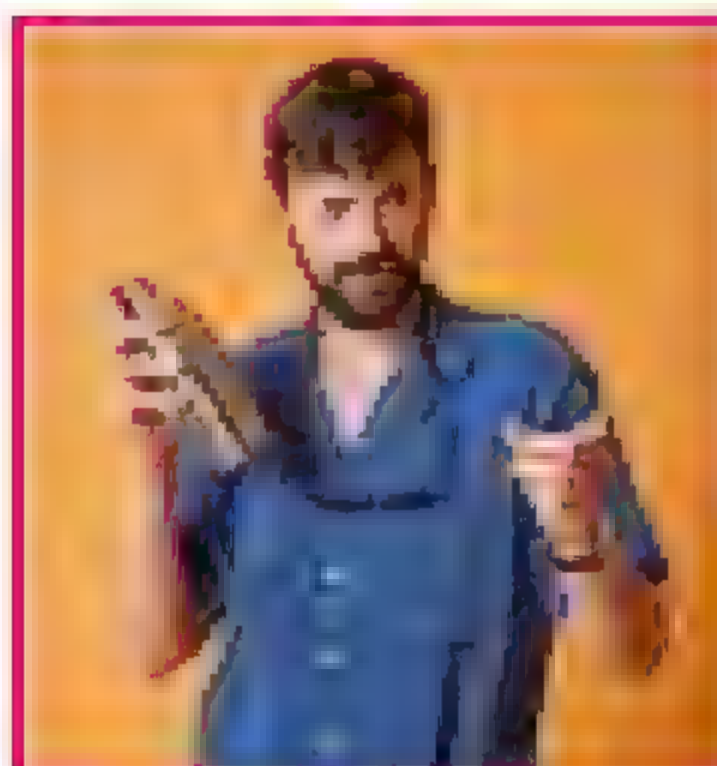
Giddy Aunt Comedy presents

**FESSHOLE: LIVE**

People of Leicester! Rob Manuel, creator of viral Twitter account Fesshole, is armed with the best (and worst) confessions known to mankind. Cringe, laugh and sit back in anonymity as he uncovers the depths of human grotesqueness. Expect some live confessions from you - the audience - too! He's also going to dig into the bin of unpublished Leicester confessions, from one-night-stands to the inappropriate usage of a pineapple...

[giddyauntcomedy.com](https://giddyauntcomedy.com)

INTERACTIVE, SOLO SHOW

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
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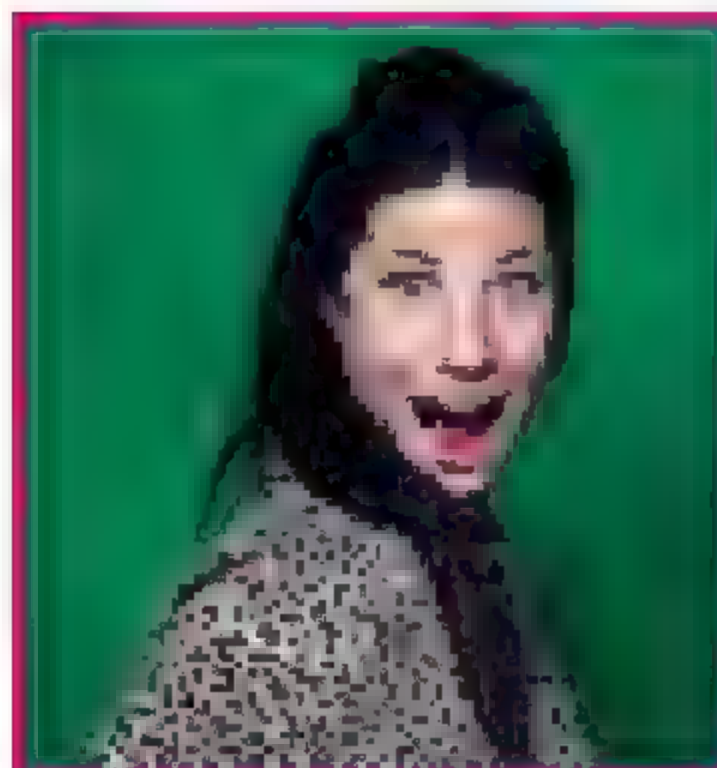
Show And Tell in association with PBJ Management presents

**FIN TAYLOR: DADDY SELF-CARE**

Fin Taylor is back on the road with a brand new trunk of painfully funny stand-up for 2023. Sure he's married with a kid, but that hasn't made him any less naughty. If anything, it's only made him even hungrier for that juicy sacred cow meat- and this tour, he's going after our cultural obsession with mental health. So plenty to work with. "Gleefully provocative and packed with big, hard laughs" \*\*\*\* The Guardian

[fintaylor.com](https://fintaylor.com)

SOLO SHOW, STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 19:00 (20:00)**Venue:** Firebug Map Ref: 20**Entry:** £12

Jokes on Us

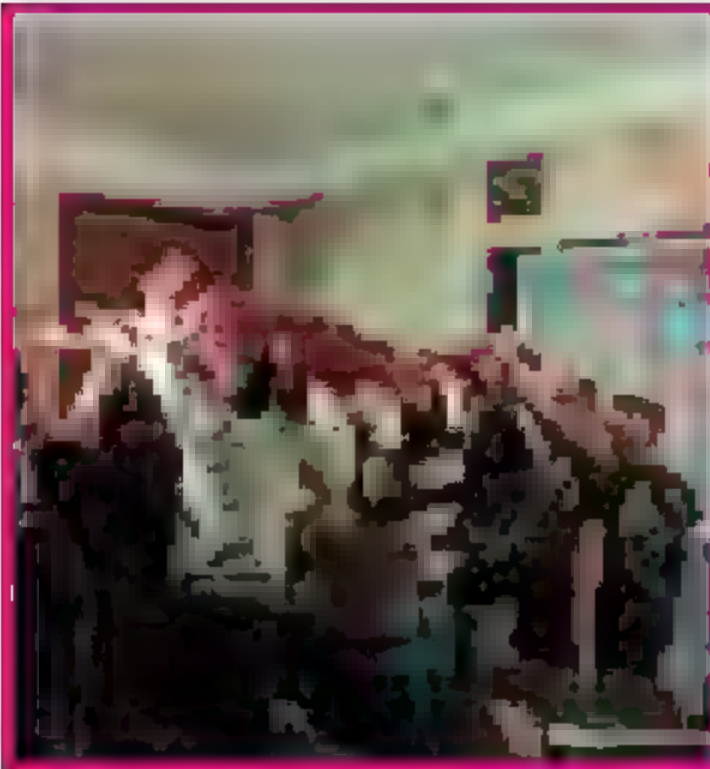
**FIONA RIDGEWELL: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Fiona Ridgewell performs a new stand-up show. Expect laughs, revelations, the solution to fracking ... ok maybe don't expect the last one but Fiona is an optimist! In February 2020 her show "Contender" was nominated for best debut show at LCF, in the same year she was a Funny Women Finalist. "Fiona has a direct cheeky sense of humour" Steve Bennett "Fiona Ridgewell has funny bones and an easy warmth on stage." Julia Chamberlain

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 20:00 (21:00)**Venue:** 45 West Map Ref: 2**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want





Big Difference presents

**FIRST NIGHT FUNNIES**

Celebrate the first night of the festival with an incredible line up of comedians! Previous guests include Mrs Barabara Nice, Fern Brady, Scott Bennett, Nathan Caton etc. Line-up to be announced. Quickly sells out, so grab your tickets now!

MIXED BILL

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Venue: PETER Pizzeria    Map Ref: 38																			
Time: 19:30 (21:30)																			
Entry: £10																			



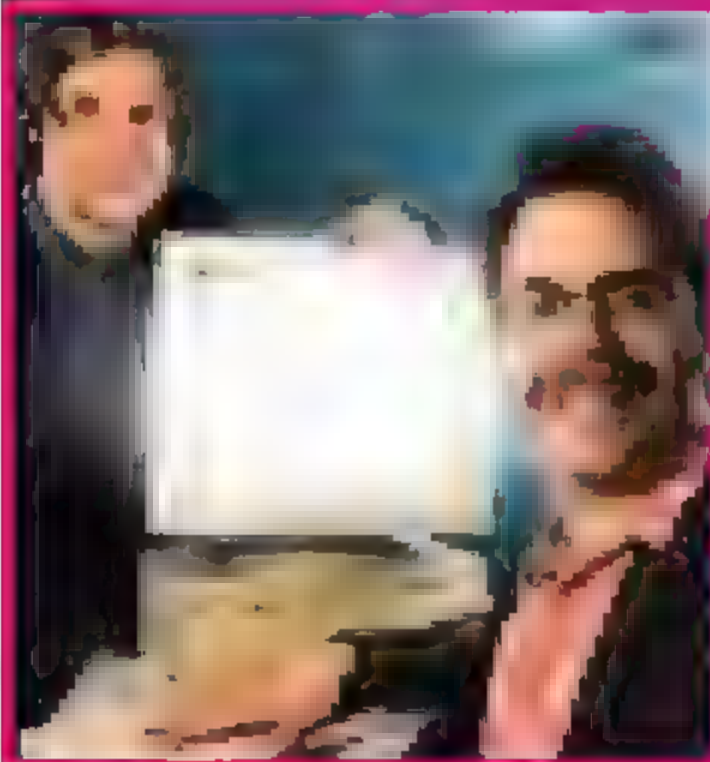
Furthest from the Sea presents

**FOOLISH MANOEUVRES**

A Magician, A Poet and A Drag Queen walk into a bar... Foolish Manoeuvres are Eden-MW (they/them), Dan Webber (he/him) and Benthic Zone (they/she), a ménage à trois of magic, poetry and drag, making their Leicester Comedy Festival debut at Knight and Garter.

CABARET, ALTERNATIVE

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Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want																			

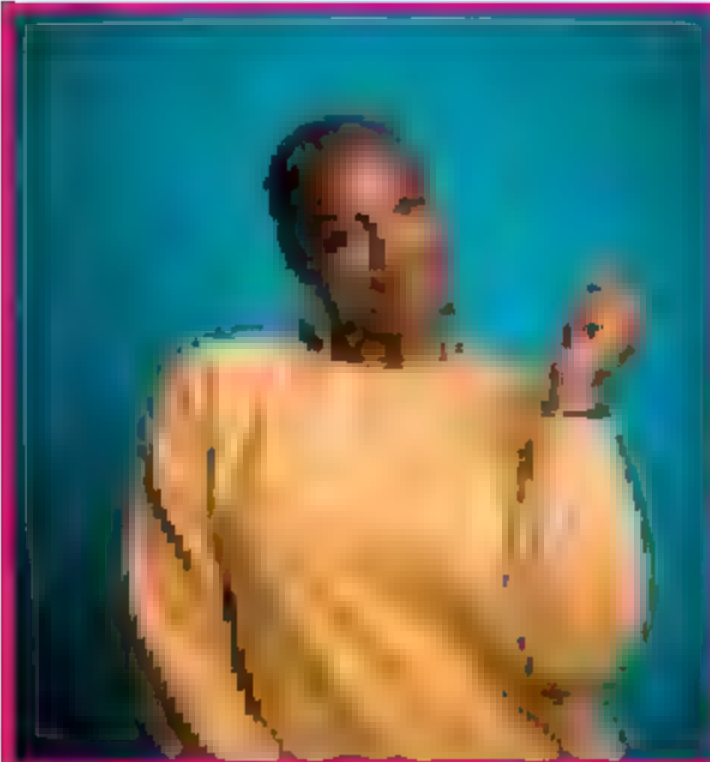


**FOXDOG STUDIOS: TANK OF WATER (WIP)**

Winners of Leicester Comedy Festival Best Show in 2019, Foxdog Studios, the IT consultants who create onstage inventions audience control using their phones, are bringing a tank full of water with a little remote control boat on it to Leicester. Join them on a journey aboard the world's smallest luxury cruise liner. Bring a charged phone for forty litres of fun.  
[foxdogstudios.com](http://foxdogstudios.com)

INTERACTIVE, MUSICAL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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Time: 15:00 (16:00)																			
Entry: £6 (£4) advance or Pay What You Want																			



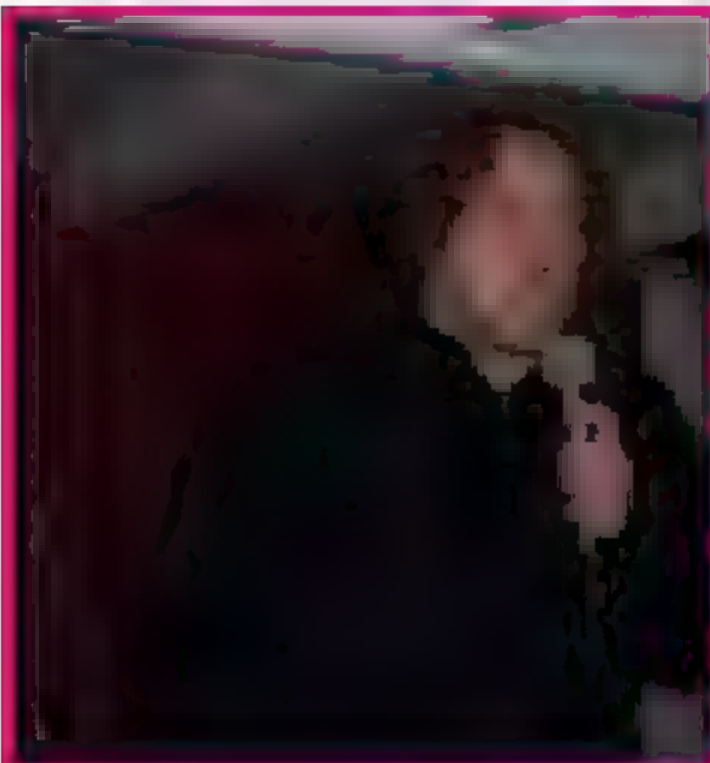
Foxton Society & Big Difference present

**FOXTON COMEDY NIGHT**

Join us for a comedy night with talents hand-picked by the team behind Leicester Comedy Festival! Hosted by the local and brilliant Jason Neale, guest include Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year 2020 Eric Rushton, Thanyia Moore (Mock the Week), and more to be announced. All proceeds will be distributed to local community projects & charities.

MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Venue: Foxton Village Hall    Map Ref: 22																			
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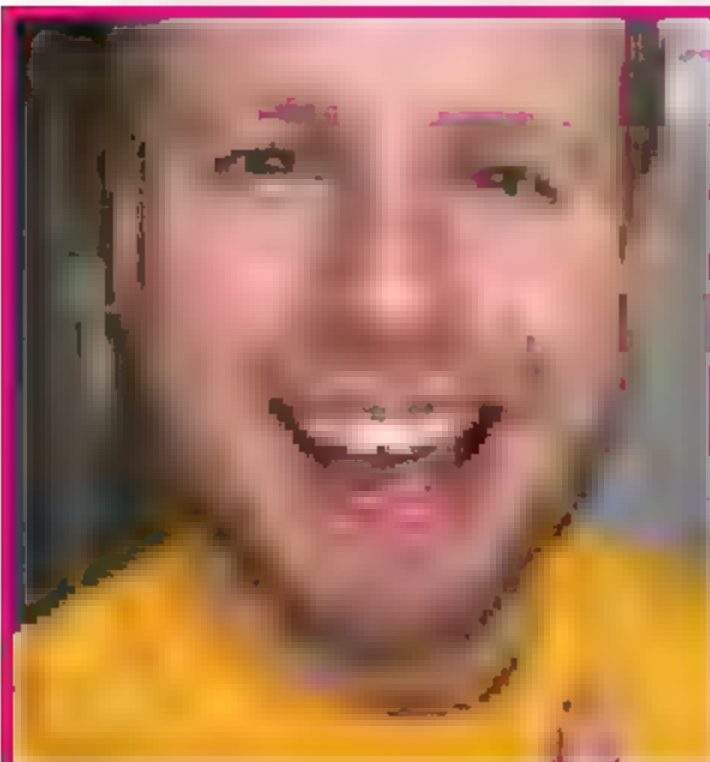
Foxy Comedy presents

**FOXYCOMEDY CLUB NIGHT**

Join us for big laughs with top club comedians! Every Wednesday from 8.30pm, every Sunday from 7pm, and on Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st from 8.30pm. Featuring great headliners, and set in an intimate room within the historic Wygston's House. Check Foxy Comedy Facebook page for updated line-ups. MC Ben Ennis, plus special guests!

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Venue: Wygston's House    Map Ref: 65																			
Time: 20:30 (22:00)   Sun 19:00 (20:30)																			
Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want																			



KM Comedy Management

**FRAN JENKING: 'THIS CHARMING FRAN'**

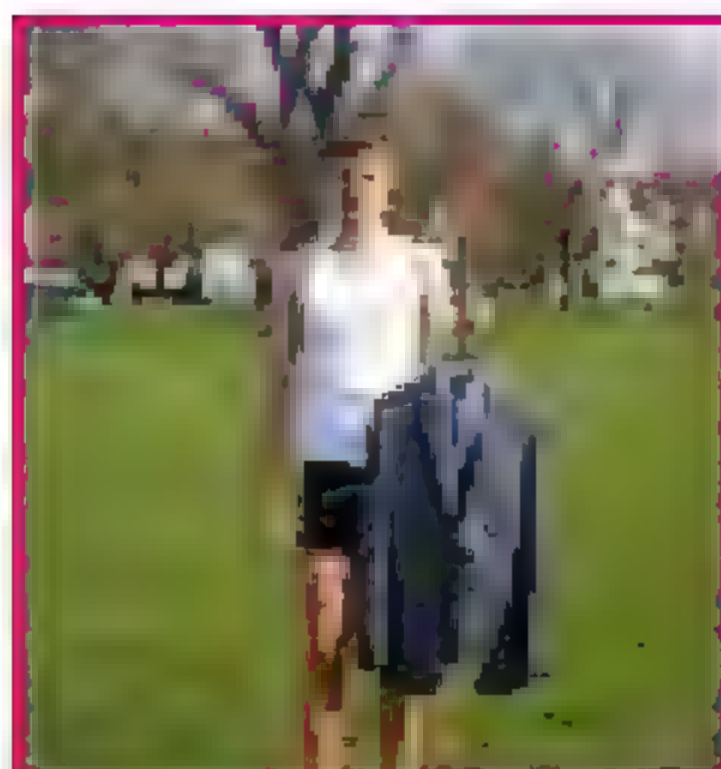
A brand new work in progress show, full of ridiculous thoughts and a sideways look at life from Our Fran. "Fabulous flights of fancy from an amenable onstage presence" - BBC.co.uk

WORLD PREMIERE

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Venue: The Big Difference    Map Ref: 45																			
Time: 14:00 (15:00)																			
Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want																			





Jokes On Us Present

**FRANK FOUCAULT SINGS THE SONGS OF FRANK FOUCAULT**

New songs. Old songs. What do you want from me? "Stupidly funny" - Chortle. "Seriously funny" Scotsman.

MUSICAL, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:30 (22:30)

Venue: 45 West Map Ref: 2

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Monster Comedy Presents..

**FREDDIE FARRELL: YOUR DRUNK AUNTIES FAVOURITE COMEDIAN**

When award winning comedian Freddie Farrell released his debut comedy album 'Excuse Me While I Burst into Flames', with American record label Comedy Dynamics, it sold and streamed more copies than he could ever have imagined. Because of this he's started to build a crowd all of his own, but they're not who he expected... at all. 'Killer instinct for the funny' - Dan Nightingale (Have a Word Podcast) 'One to watch for sure!' - Joe Lycett

STAND UP

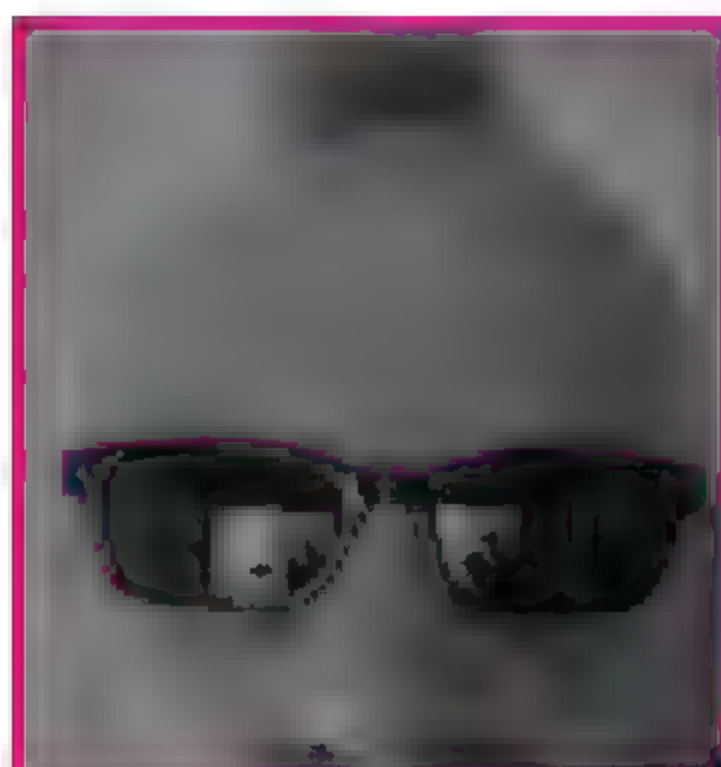
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Time: 16:00 (17:00)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want

WORLD PREMIERE



Andy Gilbert

**FREUD, ERIKSON & ME**

The UK's number one poetry teacher explores whether the theories of Sigmund Freud and Erik Erikson can explain why he writes such vulgar verse. Hilarity, vulgarity and tuition in poetry techniques that probably won't work. A sincere but deluded lecture suitable for people just wanting to keep warm for an hour. 'Pam Ayres for the filthy minded' - Buxton Fringe Review 2022.

SPOKEN WORD, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 14:30 (15:30)

Venue: The Globe Map Ref: 50

Entry: FREE



Funhouse presents

**FUNHOUSE COMEDY CLUB**

Funhouse Comedy, which has been running top comedy shows across the region for 20 years brings an excellent selection of acts to the festival: IGNACIO LOPEZ Wonderful Spanish/Welsh comedian who just made his debut on Live at the Apollo. PETE FIRMAN One of the country's leading comedy magicians. TV appearances include The Next Great Magician and Tonight at The London Palladium. Plus Nathan Eagle and compere Barry Dodds.

[www.funhousecomedy.co.uk](http://www.funhousecomedy.co.uk)

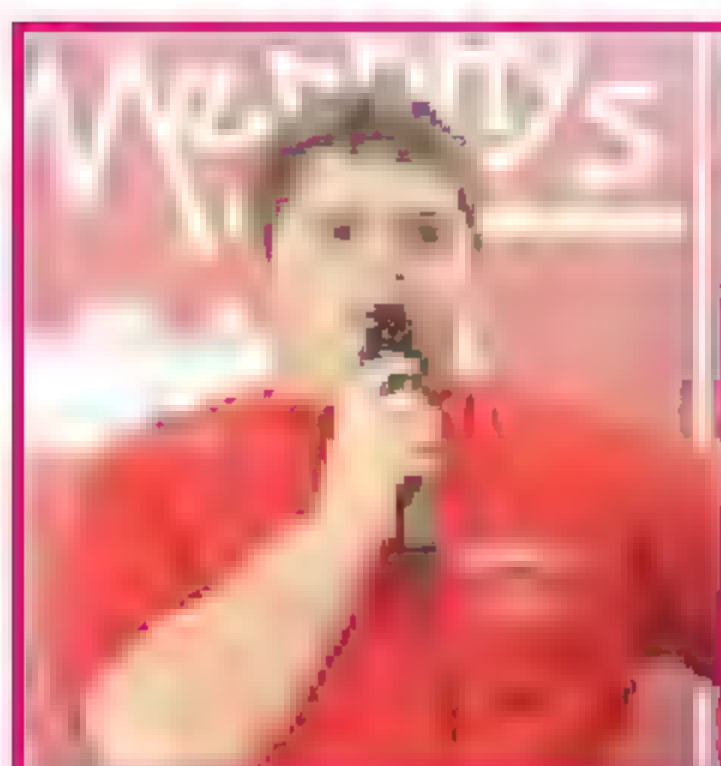
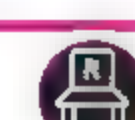
STAND UP

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Time: 20:00 (22:45)

Venue: Century Theatre Map Ref: 11

Entry: £12



Menphys: Supporting Leicestershire Children and Young People with Disabilities present

**FUNNIER THAN YOU THINK - COMEDY WORKSHOP & SHOWCASE 2023**Menphys present a comedy workshop dedicated to showcasing the funny side of disability. Led by Jarred Christmas, the workshop will develop young people's comedy skills and give them an experience of performing live to their families and carers. Places are limited, please contact [Liam.Deacy@menphys.org.uk](mailto:Liam.Deacy@menphys.org.uk) to book your young person's place. Suitable for children & young people with disabilities, aged 13-25. £25/workshop.

CHILDREN'S, IMPROV

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Time: 10:00 (16:00)

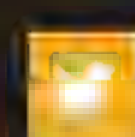
Venue: Menphys Map Ref: 36

Entry: By arrangement with Menphys

WORLD PREMIERE

**FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!**

There are loads of fun shows and events  
for children at our UK Kids Comedy Festival!  
For info and tickets visit: [www.UKKidsComedyFestival.co.uk](http://www.UKKidsComedyFestival.co.uk)



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Creative Chaos Presents

### GARDEN OF LAUGHTER @ LA MAISON

A compilation show featuring some of the finest comedians on the circuit hosted at one of the most exciting up-and-coming comedy venues in Leicester. Treat yourself to the famous french toast whilst taking in the comedic brilliance.

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 20:00 (21:00)
Venue:	La Maison Map Ref: 31																			Entry: £5



Avalon present

### GARRETT MILLERICK: JUST TRYING TO HELP

The WIP version of this show was 'Best Show 2022 - Nominee' at last years festival. So I thought it was only fair to bring the updated, expanded, and... finished version to Leicester this year. Here are some nice things journalists have said: Best Shows of 2022- British Comedy Guide, 'A Seamless Comedy Howl into The Abyss of Despair' \*\*\*\* The Scotsman, 'Smart, Provocative, Playful, Wide-Ranging and Devastatingly Funny' \*\*\*\*.5 Chortle.

[www.garrettmillerick.com](http://www.garrettmillerick.com)

STAND UP, SATIRE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 21:00 (22:00)
Venue:	BrewDog Map Ref: 10																			Entry: £10



Impatient Productions present

### GARY DELANEY: PUNDERLAND

Gary's Leicester Comedy Festival show is now SOLD OUT, a 2nd show on 24th March is selling fast. Get ready to dive into a rabbit hole of the best jokes in the world Gary Delaney is back! One of the most sought after joke writers in the country Gary 's been through the laughing glass & he's ready to bring you a brand new show with hit after hit of the kind of one-liners only a master could craft. If you're hunting for snark, Gary's got it covered!

[garydelaney.com](http://garydelaney.com)

SOLD SHOW, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 20:00 (21:50)
Venue:	Mountsorrel Memorial Centre Map Ref: 37																			Entry: £21



### GAY COMEDY NIGHT

The longest running (we think) gay comedy night is back, platforming hilarious LGBTQ+ comedians for over 25 years. This year we teamed up with LGBTQ+ New Comedian of the Year Awards to bring you some of the best new comics around, including the "hilarious and no messin'" 2019 winner Charlie George, and 2022 winner "the Argentinian Katherine Ryan" Victoria Olsina. This event is Pay What You Feel which supports our continued work with new artists.

[www.ytheatre.co.uk](http://www.ytheatre.co.uk)

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 19:30 (22:00)
Venue:	The Y Theatre Map Ref: TBC																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



The Badge Farm Foundation presents

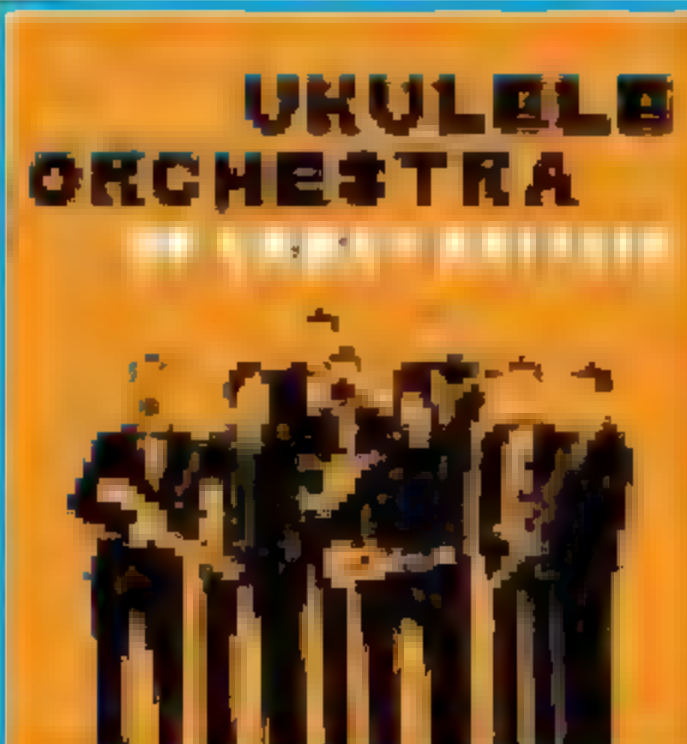
### GEORGE EGG: SET MENU (THE BEST OF GEORGE EGG)

George cooks food while making you laugh. He's toured three shows ('Anarchist Cook', 'DIY Chef' and 'Movable Feast') cooking over a thousand dishes, all of them in front of a live audience, none of them with a kitchen. This is the best bits, the most delicious jokes and the funniest food. Three meals, cooked live, with comedy and you even get to try it at the end. "A culinary Bill Bailey" - Scotsman

<http://georgeegg.com>

STAND UP, SOLD SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 19:30 (20:30)
Venue:	Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61																			Entry: £12 (£10)



### GEORGE HINCHLIFFE'S UKULELE ORCHESTRA OF GREAT BRITAIN

Who is to blame for the worldwide phenomena of ukulele orchestras and ukulelemania? The Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain! Tap your toes with the royalty of the ukulele scene, the independent rock-stars of the bonsai guitar, who have plucked and sung, joked and whistled with Clean Bandit, Robbie Williams, Madness, Cat Stevens, The Ministry of Sound and Blue Peter.

[demontforthall.co.uk](http://demontforthall.co.uk)

MUSICAL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 19:30 (21:30)
Venue:	De Montfort Hall Map Ref: 16																			Entry: £32.50





Off The Kerb Productions present

**GEORGE LEWIS: NUDES (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

George Lewis (tour support for Romesh Ranganathan, Tom Allen, Russell Kane & Josh Widdicombe) is back with a show about the future. You're going there, so you better listen up.

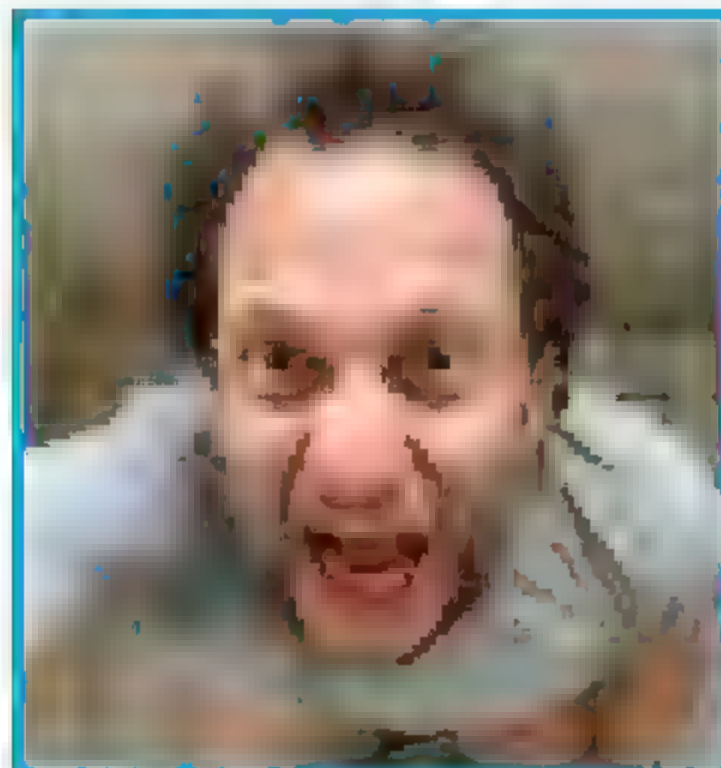
STAND UP

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Time: 18:00 (19:00)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £6



That's Enough Drama wearily presents

**GERARD HARRIS: ATTENTION SEEKER**

By the time you lose interest in reading this, I'll have toured the fucking show for 8 pointless years to 200+ venues across the English-speaking and civilised worlds, and sure it's had amazing reviews, won 4 awards, did an Off-Broadway run...but so what? Nobody ever comes. I wonder if it's the title but I can't change it now and it's so perfect when you SEE THE DAMN SHOW, which nobody does. Don't disappoint me, Leicester. Or do. That's fine too

[gerardharrisdotcomistaken.com](http://gerardharrisdotcomistaken.com)

STORYTELLING, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Wygston's House Map Ref: 65

Entry: £8 (£6)



Big Difference presents

**GET OFF! LIVE COMEDY - A DISCUSSION**

In 2020 comedians Kiri Pritchard-McLean and Nina Gilligan set up Get Off! Live Comedy, an independent and confidential organisation with the aim of eradicating Sexual Harassment within Live Comedy. Join Nina as she chats with Festival Founder Geoff Rowe about how they set up the organisation, things that went well, things that didn't go so well and their future plans and aspirations.

<https://getofflivecomedy.co.uk/>

DISCUSSION

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 16:00 (17:00)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE



Jokes On Us &amp; Giddy Aunt Comedy present

**GIDDY AUNT IMPROV**

"The best improv I've ever seen" (The Telegraph). My my haven't you grown?! Giddy Aunt Improv are London's friendliest, silliest, warmest improv troupe! Pop along as they cook up a fresh batch of delicious improvised jokes, scenes, songs and stories, based on your suggestions! Expect quick-wit, frenetic fun and the infamous tombola in their LCF debut. \*\*\*\*\* National Arts Festival, South Africa. As featured on Radio 4, UNILAD & The Guardian.

[giddyauntcomedy.com/improv](http://giddyauntcomedy.com/improv)

IMPROV, SKETCH

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Time: 16:20 (17:20)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Avalon Presents

**GLENN MOORE: WILL YOU STILL NEED ME, WILL YOU STILL FEED ME, GLENN I'M SIXTY MOORE**

The best showcase of pure joke-writing skill on the Fringe' (Guardian). Edinburgh Comedy Award nominee, and one of the best and most prolific joke-writers of his generation, Glenn really puts in another shift. Mock The Week and The Stand-Up Sketch Show regular. As heard on The News Quiz, The Now Show and sidekick on Absolute Radio's The Dave Berry Breakfast Show. Proud owner of a House of Games tankard. \*\*\*\* (Guardian, Chortle.co.uk, Scotsman)

[www.glennmoorecomedy.com/](http://www.glennmoorecomedy.com/)

STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £10



Brett Vincent for GetComedy proudly presents

**GLENN WOOL: THE GLENN WOOL COMEDY HOUR**

You know Glenn... He's been on '8 Out of 10 Cats', 'Never Mind the Buzzcocks', 'The John Bishop Show', 'Russell Howards Good News' and 'Doug Stanhope's The Comedians' Comedian's Comedians' and heard on Marc Marons podcast and has created the podcast 'Freestyle' with Frankie Boyle. "Seeing Glenn Wool perform should be made compulsory for the melancholy. There's no way you won't feel a bit better about the world afterwards. Lethally funny" Metro

[www.glennwool.com](http://www.glennwool.com)

STAND UP

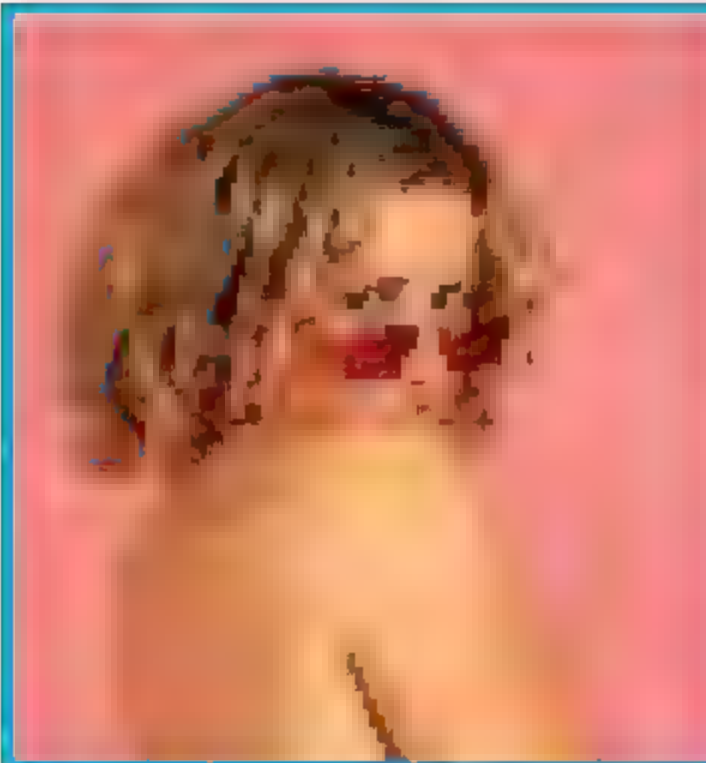
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Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £10 (£9)





Mick Perrin Worldwide presents

**GRACE CAMPBELL: A SHOW ABOUT ME(N)**

Grace following her hugely successful sell out Edinburgh 2022 run, takes her brand new show 'A Show About Me(n)' on tour across the UK in Spring 2023. This is a show about her two lifelong passions; men and herself. Promising to be fiery and explicit, Grace is going to take you on a story of how she let go of her need for male validation, with a show that is bound to make all men obsessed with her.

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:15 (20:15)
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UATW Presents

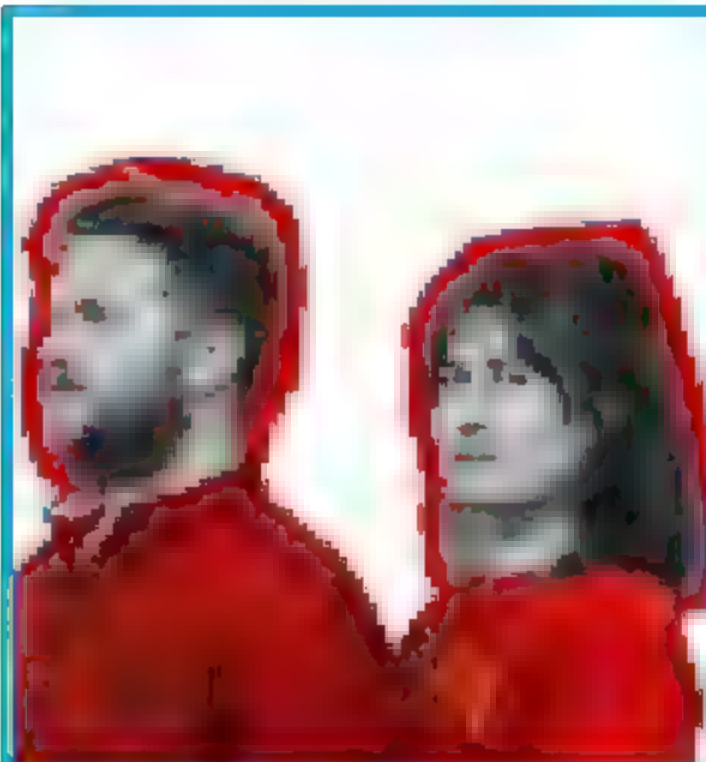
**GRADUATION NIGHT (WITH JASON NEALE)**

Come see the stars of tomorrow. Upstairs At The Western proudly presents the graduates from its Spring 2022 comedy workshops as the support acts for the evening's headliner. Come watch our new stand-up stars as they take to the stage for the first time. All held together by local comedian (and their tutor for the past 6 weeks) Jason Neale.

[www.upstairsatthewestern.com](http://www.upstairsatthewestern.com)

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (22:00)
Venue:	Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61																			Entry:	£8



Hog the Dog Productions & Treehouse Ltd present

**GRUBBY LITTLE MITTS**

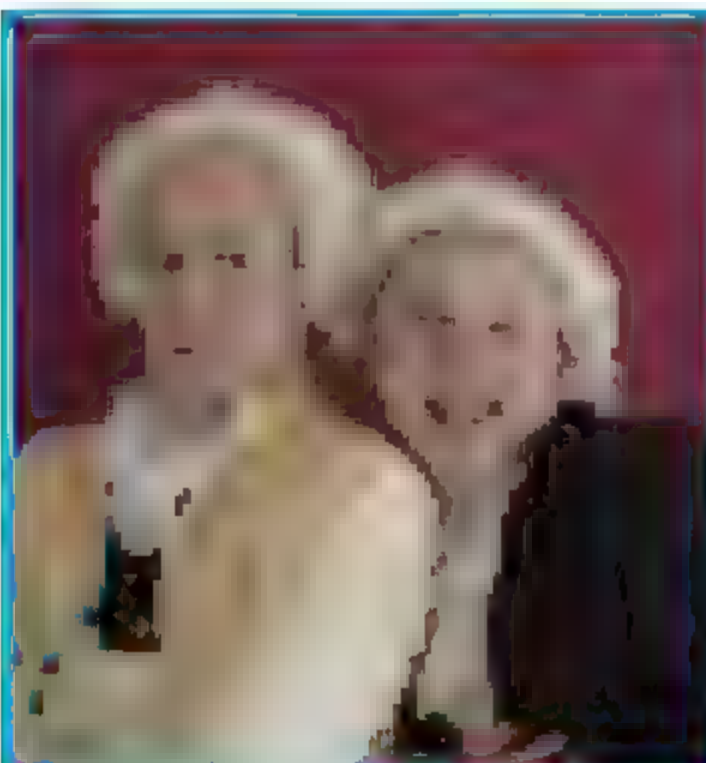
At once slapstick, sitcom and surreal, Grubby Little Mitts (featuring Nicholls & Brown) is an hour of wildly different sketches at breakneck speed, where the normal rules of engagement do not apply. Winners of the Amused Moose Comedy Award 2022 for Top Debut Sketch Show, this is comedy with teeth - and eyeballs. Directed by Jon Gracey (Werewolf Live; The Beta Males)

<https://linktr.ee/nixbrowncomedy>

REGIONAL PREMIERE

SKETCH, THEATRE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	16:30 (17:30)
Venue:	BrewDog Map Ref: 10																			Entry:	£7



Lord Rodney and Lord Russell present

**GUFFAWS AT THE GUILDHALL**

Following sell-out shows at the Leicester Comedy Festival and The UK Kids' Comedy Festival, this award nominated duo bring you "Guffaws at the Guildhall", an interactive comedy, musical gameshow extravaganza . If you don't know the difference between Bum Fodder, Fartleberries and Twiddle Poop then this fun-packed show will entertain children and adults alike.

WORLD PREMIERE

GAME SHOW, INTERACTIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	13:00 (14:00)
Venue:	The Guildhall Map Ref: 53																			Entry:	£7

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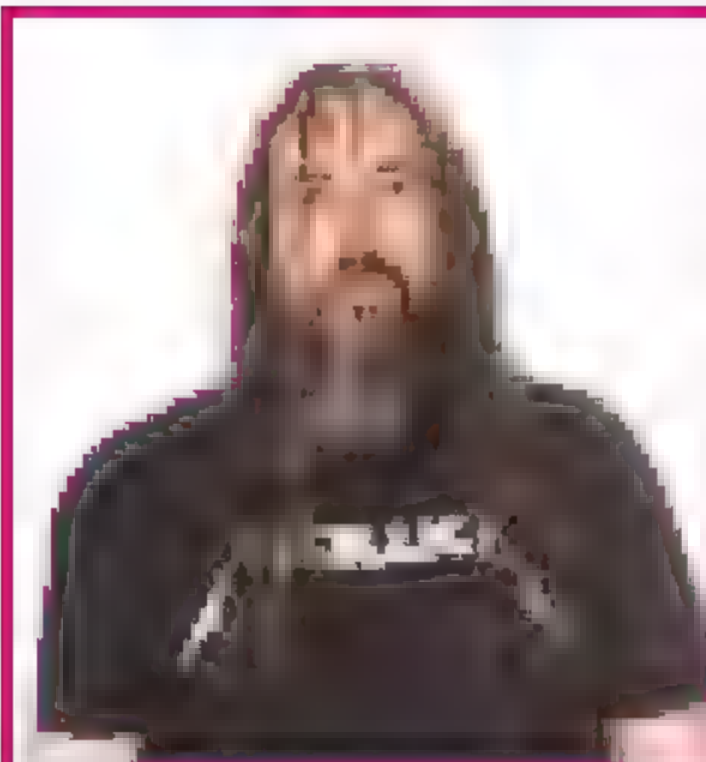
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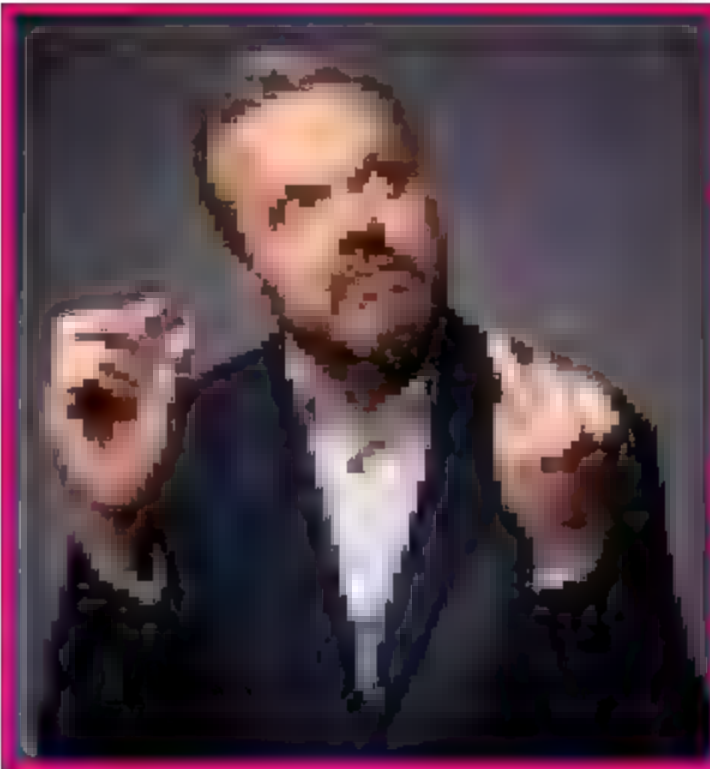
**HA HA HARBOROUGH**

Headliner is the brilliant Yorkshire comic HOWARD WALKER 'a natural stage presence, instantly amenable demeanour...' Stagefright Comedy Hilary Bites Finalist 2016 with support from CARL JONES "The audience loved him from start to finish. His natural comic story-telling ability had them hanging on every word." - Hot Water Comedy JAKE BAKER \*\*\*\* 'Endearingly offbeat, with great comic timing and an engagingly whimsical mind' - Edinburgh Reporter

MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:00 (22:00)
Venue:	Harborough Theatre Map Ref: 24																			Entry:	£10





Impatient Productions present

**HAL CRUTTENDEN: IT'S BEST YOU HEAR IT FROM ME**

After 21 years & 224 days Hal's back being single. But it's all going to be fine. Instead of getting the therapy he clearly needs, he's made a cracking show about it. He's lost enough weight to almost get his wedding ring off and, while he may be flying solo, he's far from alone; he's got his grown-up daughters, his dogs and his divorce lawyer. The fickle finger of fate has turned Hal's life upside down but he's sticking a finger right back at it

[halcruttenden.com](http://halcruttenden.com)

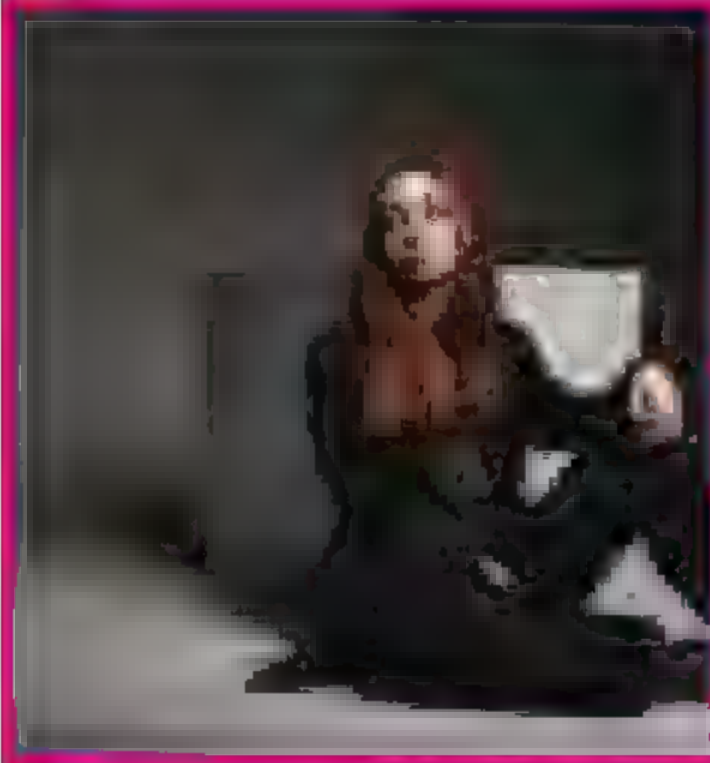
SOLD SHOW

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Time: 20:00 (21:40)

Venue: The Y Theatre Map Ref: 59

Entry: £19



Jokes on Us Present

**HANNAH PLATT: WORK IN PROGRESS**

'Voice of a generation' (The Skinny) and BBC New Comedy Awards Finalist Hannah Platt presents a sad northern girl work in progress of sad northern girl jokes, discussing being sad, northern and a girl. 'Distinctive, and she feels like a voice with something to say' (Steve Bennett, Chortle) Writer and star of BBC Three's Laugh Lessons, and heard on BBC Radio 4. Tour support for Kiri Pritchard-McClean, Fern Brady and Lou Sanders.

STAND UP

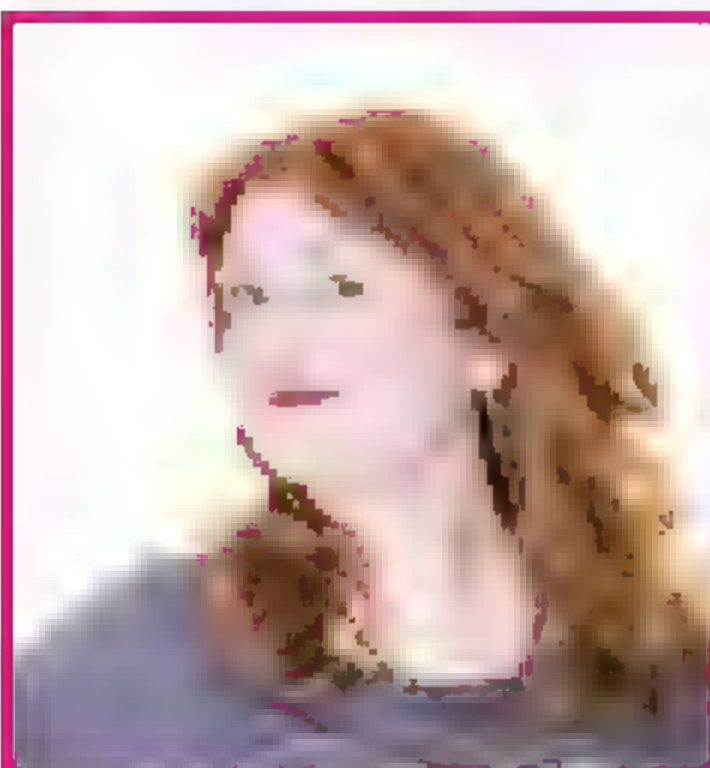
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Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: 45 West Map Ref: 2

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want

REGIONAL PREMIERE



Jokes On Us Present

**HANNAH SILVESTER: CRUSH**

Hannah has been performing on the stand up comedy circuit since 2011. Based in the West Midlands she is a regular on both the local and national circuits. Hannah combines frank and honest stand up comedy with a warm delivery and the occasional comedy song. Join her for her new comedy show about infatuation and guilty pleasures. Not as sexy as it sounds! 'viciously, hilariously blunt'. - Chortle

SOLD SHOW, STAND UP

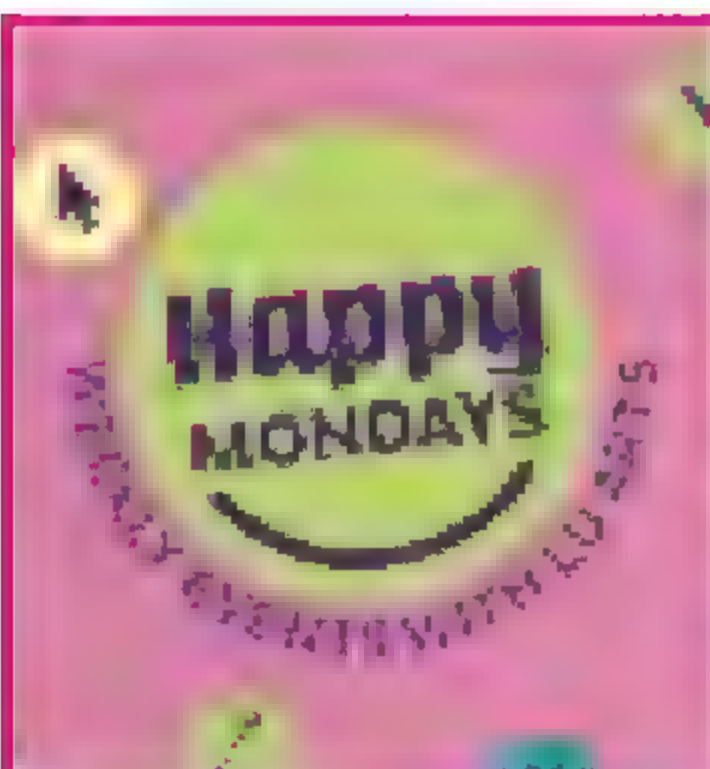
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Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want

REGIONAL PREMIERE



Loughborough Student Union present

**HAPPY MONDAY COMEDY CLUB**

Loughborough Students Union hosts a very special one hour show featuring 3 fantastic stand-ups handpicked just for you by the Festival organisers! Line-up to be announced, keep an eye on website and socials. Previous acts have included Lauren Pattison, Sam Serrano, Jack Gleadow, Garrett Millerick.

<https://www.lboro.ac.uk/arts/>

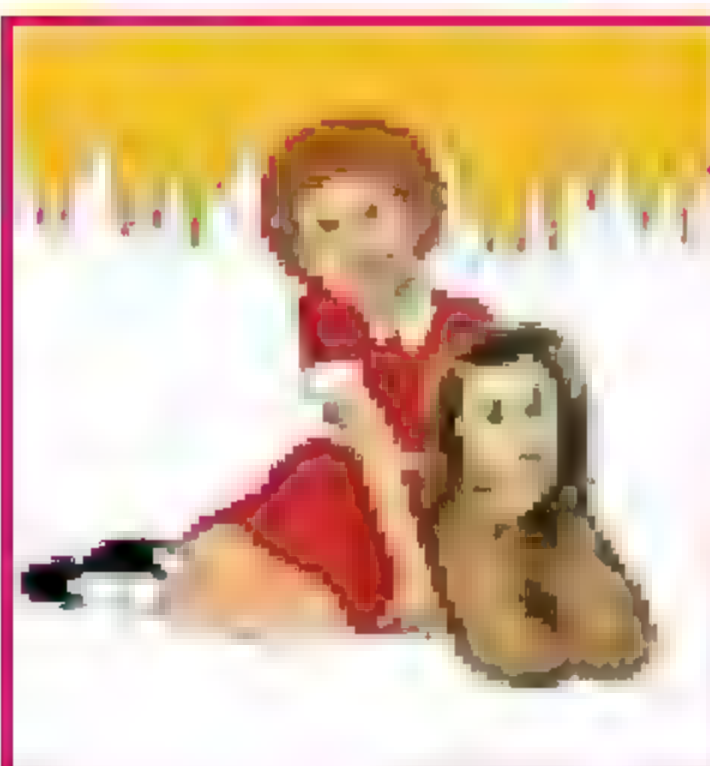
STAND UP, MIXED BILL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:30)

Venue: The Basement (Loughborough Students Union) Map Ref: 44

Entry: £5 | FREE for LU students



Monster Comedy presents

**HARD KNOCK LIFE**

A split hour of comedy from two southern acts trying to make it in the no-nonsense northern comedy scene. Dom Hatton-Woods talks about having an alcoholic father, living in a student house and being too polite with past girlfriends; meanwhile, musical comedian Alex Camp blends stand-up about writing jingles and 90s dads with songs about white people playing the blues and his "hit" Covid Baby.

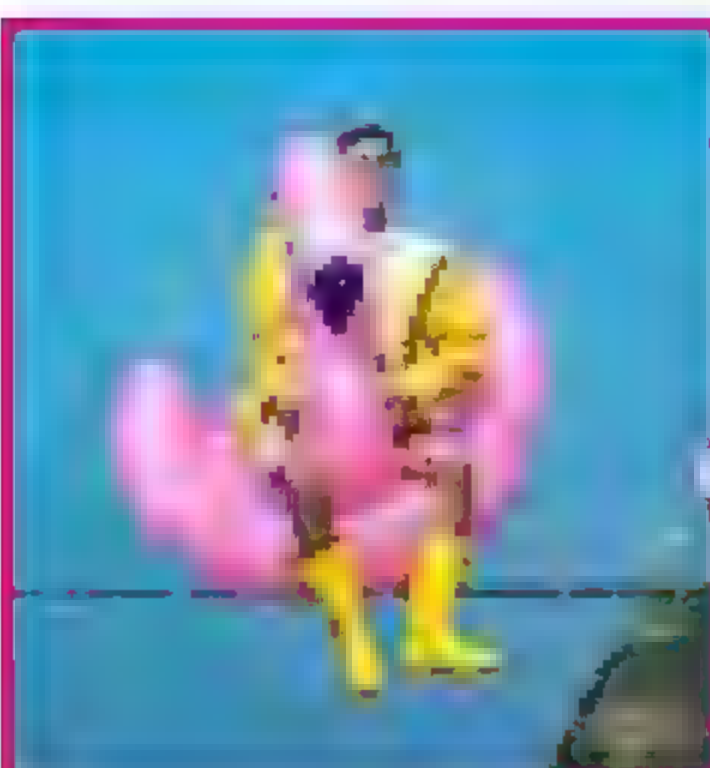
STAND UP, MUSICAL

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Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want

**HARRY BAKER: UNASHAMED 2.0**

World Poetry Slam Champion Harry Baker's heart and humour has been watched by millions online and allowed him to perform all over the world, until suddenly he couldn't. From reviewing toilet seats online to writing falafel-based diss tracks for Chris Evans, he's back on stage where he belongs with his most heartfelt, playful, unashamedly Harry Baker-y show yet. "Simply put... The greatest performer on earth" \*\*\*\*\* (BBC Radio 1)

[www.harrybaker.co](http://www.harrybaker.co)

SPOKEN WORD, STAND UP

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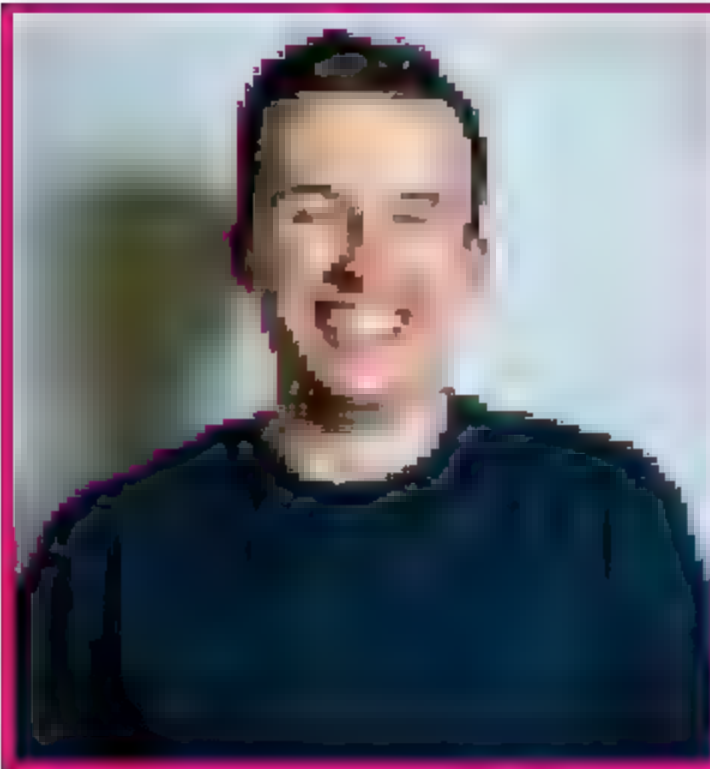
Time: 19:30 (21:30)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £12 (£10)







Brett Vincent for GetComedy proudly presents

**HARRY STACHINI: GRENADE (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

Stachini is the comedian to watch in this new decade. Slowly but surely climbing up the ranks of the stand-up comedy world, Harry has established a reputation as an exciting young comedian with an impressive easy-going style. His warm and friendly stage presence comfortably leads us through hilarious and skilful storytelling which is beyond his years. "Belly-aching funny. Well observed characterisations and anecdotes" The Skinny

[www.harrystachini.com](http://www.harrystachini.com)

WORLD PREMIERE

STAND UP

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Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£6.50 (£5)



**HARUN MUSHO'D: WHY I DON'T TALK TO PEOPLE ABOUT TERRORISM**

"My name is Harun Musho'd. That is an Arabic name. Good news is I can't fly a plane, or drive a car. Bad news is I have a rucksack." If you don't like that joke, don't come to this show. "Smart...His use of irony and repetition has previously drawn comparison with Stewart Lee. And that's on full display" The Scotsman. "Excellent show. Sharp and witty comedy " Fringe Review. "A great comedian" \*\*\*\*Views From The Gods "Provocative" Chortle

<https://www.harunmushod.com>

STAND UP, STORYTELLING



Paul Richards

**HARVEY GREENFIELD IS RUNNING LATE**

A frantic comedy play about a man trying to please everyone. Meet Harvey Greenfield - a successful, bright, mid-thirty-something who just doesn't have the ability to say no. Is it possible to please everyone, all of the time? "Like an alternative Ferris Bueller... the escalating web of chaos is skilfully scripted in the vein of a classic film comedy. \*\*\*\*" - The Scotsman

THEATRE, SOLO SHOW



Cheryl Hayes c/o Vivienne Clore Presents

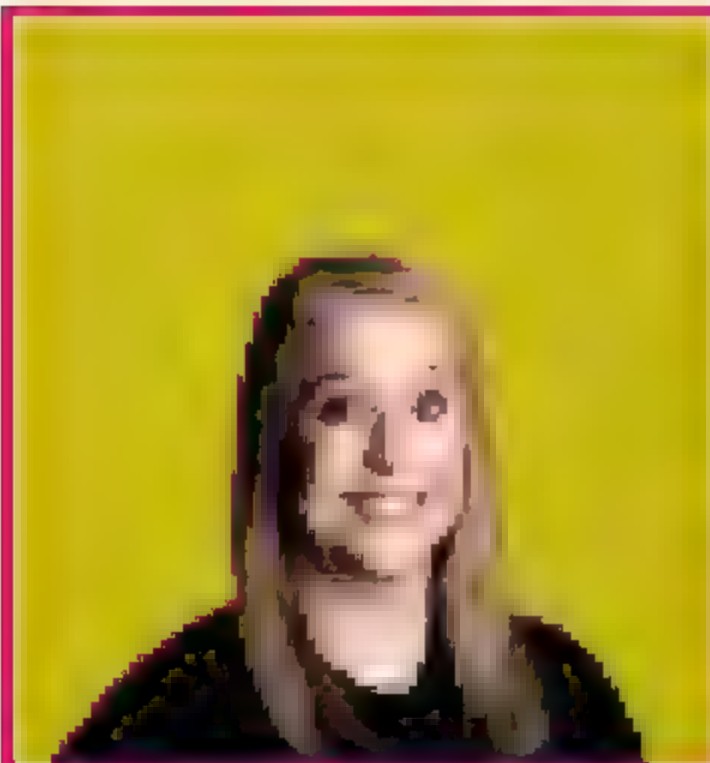
**HATTY ASHDOWN: THE WORRY DRAWER**

"Wonderfully inventive, consistently funny " - Time Out. "Innate funny bones " - Chortle. Following her mum's death, a grieving new mum Hatty (Give out Girls - Comedy Central) Funny Mummies podcast) searched for her mums Worry Drawer in the hope it would reveal the secrets to dealing with life's anxieties. Join Hatty, ( BBC Radio 4, LDN,) in finding the fun in life's biggest challenges: Worry, grief, and emptying the dishwasher."

[hattyashdown.com](http://hattyashdown.com)

REGIONAL PREMIERE

STAND UP, STORYTELLING



FAB COMEDY MANAGEMENT PRESENT

**HAYLEY ELLIS: THINGS THAT MAKE YOU GO, MM YEAH THAT NEEDS WORK**

Join Hayley Ellis for this work in progress show as she works out if the thoughts in her head are funny when said out loud or whether she needs to seek professional help. As seen as Tour Support for Sarah Millican, John Bishop and Jason Manford "Brilliantly funny and a joy to watch" - Sarah Millican "Sharp, clever and very funny" - The Sunday Post "An original and very funny lady" - Funny Women "Ellis is a talent" - Fest Mag

[www.hayleyellis.com](http://www.hayleyellis.com)

STAND UP



Avalon Presents

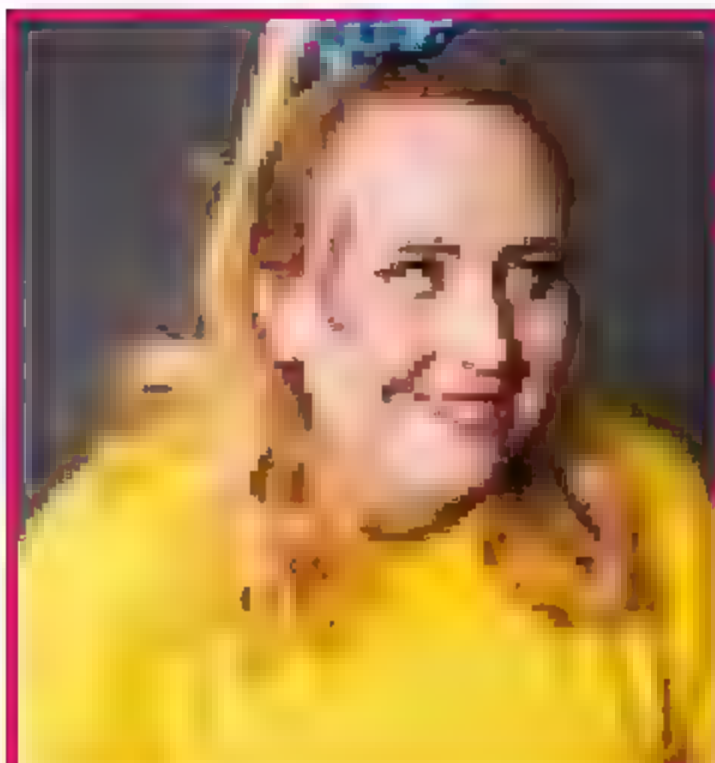
**HEIDI REGAN: WORK IN PROGRESS**

"With more than a decade's experience as a comedy writer, Heidi has enjoyed a meteoric rise through the stand-up comedy ranks. She has won two of the most coveted prizes in comedy; the So You Think You're Funny? title at Edinburgh Fringe 2016, following in the footsteps of comedians including Peter Kay, Alan Carr and Lee Mack, before scooping the BBC New Comedy Award prize in 2017. As heard on BBC Radio 4.

<http://www.heidiregan.com/>

STAND UP





### HELEN BAUER: GRAND SUPREME WORK IN PROGRESS

As seen on Live at The Apollo and star of ITV2, BBC Three, Dave, Comedy Central and Radio 4 Helen Bauer presents a work in progress show of her new thoughts and feelings on pretty much everything but mainly a tortoise called Smooth Sides. "What follows is an hour of comedy so perfectly put together (The Skinny) 'in a field of stand-up all of her own, sticking out for all the right reasons.' (The Scotsman) 'utterly brilliant.' (The List)

[www.helenbauer.co.uk](http://www.helenbauer.co.uk)

STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45 Entry: £6



### HELEN DUFF: LULLABIES

it's duff's first show post baby and oh mama is she itching to blow off some steam - beautiful as a brand new bathroom tap, brighter than a microwave full of metal, funny bones you couldn't break if you tried - she's literally been lactating! you can't get more calcified! strap in for some seriously moving mayhem "Bold, subversive and very funny" \*\*\*\*The Scotsman. As seen/heard on The Mash Report, The Emily Attack show, BBC2, BBCIII & R4.

[www.helenduff.com](http://www.helenduff.com)

REGIONAL PREMIERE

STORYTELLING, CLOWN

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Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4 Entry: £7 (£5)



Monster Comedy

### HIGH FRIENDS LOW PLACES

Birmingham stand up comedian and Rapper Luke McDonnell @Lukemanridesagain finds the funny side of growing up around Chaos. "One of the best joke writers of the new generation" "Has killer Comedy Instinct and doesn't give a f\*\*k" Featuring Dark Humour and original hip hop music

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29 Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



The Doorstep Comedy Club presents

### HINCKLEY'S COMEDY AND CURRY

Hinckley's Comedy and Curry doesn't only bring you the best comedians on circuit comedy it comes with a bloody good curry buffet with it! Steve Harris will be having your socks off headlining our show along with Rudi Lickwood, Mark Row and Mike Cox Hosting the night. The doors will open at 18:30 with the Stand up comedy starting 20:30.

<https://www.thedoorstepcomedyclub.com>

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 Time: 18:30 (23:00)

Venue: The Function Room Map Ref: 49 Entry: £25



Lord Rodney and Lord Russell

### HOUSE OF TWADDLE

Following a sell-out show at The UK Kids' Comedy Festival 2022, this award nominated duo bring bring their unique Georgian gameshow back to the Guildhall. If you don't know the difference between Bum Fodder, Fartleberries and Twiddle Poop then this fun-packed show will entertain children and adults alike.

CHILDREN'S, GAME SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 Time: 11:00 (11:45)

Venue: The Guildhall Map Ref: 53 Entry: £5

## BE PART OF OUR TEAM!

It's the festival's 30th anniversary! If you want to experience behind the scenes and be part of what we do in a very big year, then why not volunteer with us?  
Info at: [volunteers@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk](mailto:volunteers@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk)







Big Difference & Equity present

**I SAY - THE ANNUAL COMEDY CONVERSATION FEATURING NISH KUMAR**

Nish has achieved huge success on the comedy circuit with 5 rave reviewed solo stand-up shows, two of which have been nominated for the prestigious Edinburgh Comedy Award for Best Show. He has had recent TV success hosting The Mash Report. "One of the best comedians we have" The Times. Join him as he chats with Festival Founder Geoff Rowe about his comedy career. In aid of Big Difference Company (registered charity 1135167).

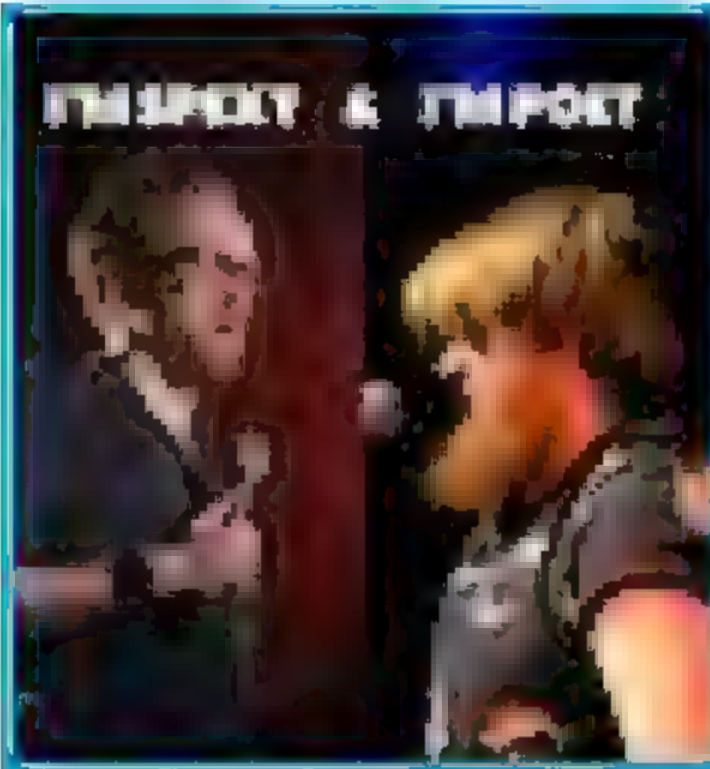
DISCUSSION

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Time: 14:00 (15:15)

Venue: Curve Map Ref: 15

Entry: £12



WORLD PREMIERE

**I'M SPEXY AND I POET**

British Comedian of the Year Semi-Finalist, Ryan Kenny and WDCF New Comedian of the Year finalist, Ciaran Mullins debut their first split hour. You are guaranteed an hour of comedy unlike any other being offered. Mullins brings his expertly written punchlines and strong delivery, whilst Kenny takes you on an anarchic, idiosyncratic comedic journey. 'Masterfully crafted material' 'Always funny, never predictable' 'Guaranteed Laughs'- Guardian.

STAND UP

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Time: 15:30 (16:30)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



UK Pun Off in association with NCF & Late Stage Comedy presents

**IAIN MACDONALD: PUNDEMIC**

From running an online pun show gaining hundreds of thousands of views to the culmination of an appearance on Britain's Got Talent, a lot has happened over the last three years for this prolific pun-producing comedian from Glasgow. Join him as he presents the best of his puns as written all through the Pundemic and beyond.

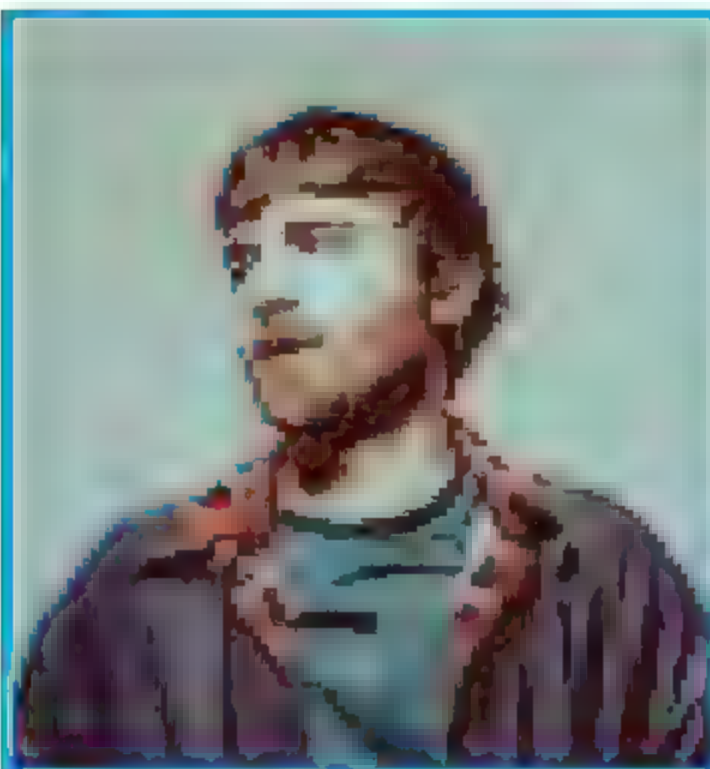
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



**IAN SMITH: TALKING AND SHOUTING**

Multi-award winning comedian Ian Smith (as heard on BBC Radio 4's The News Quiz and The Now Show) returns with a work in progress of his seventh solo show. Expect talking, shouting and at least one overly long mime. Amused Moose Comedy Award and ThreeWeeks Editors' Award winner 2017. Double Chortle Award nominee 2020. "Catch him now before his inevitable jump to the big time" Telegraph "An effortlessly brilliant stand-up show" The Scotsman  
[www.iansmithcomedy.co.uk](http://www.iansmithcomedy.co.uk)

STAND UP

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Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £8 (£5)



**IAN STONE IN THE WILDERNESS (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

Critically acclaimed Ian Stone is coming back in 2023 with a brand new show. As seen on Mock The Week (BBC 2), Never Mind The Buzzcocks (BBC 2), The Stand-Up Show (BBC 1), Saturday Live (ITV). "Seriously funny" The Guardian "... like a cross between Tony Hancock and Frankie Howerd. Stone is probably better than we deserve. Ultimately, it is the sheer quantity of funny material that really impresses" The List

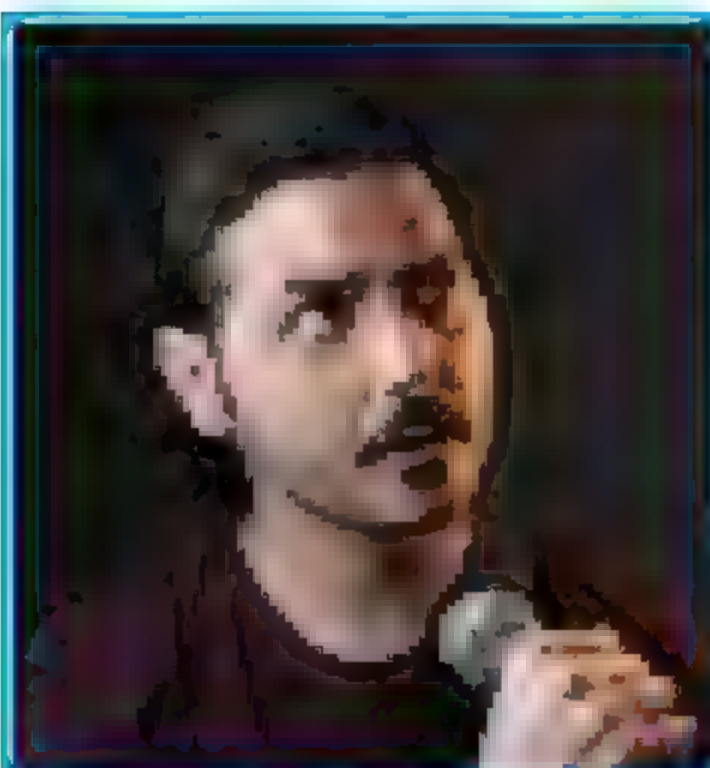
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Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £5



A Rush of Laughter presents

**IGNACIO LOPEZ: NINE IG FAILS (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

Spain's best export, Ignacio Lopez, (Star of Live At The Apollo, The Now Show, Stand-Up Sesh, & more) shares his biggest failures with a hilarious, globe-trotting story about music, comedy, and cock-ups. In 2009, from his derelict flat in South Wales, Ignacio scored tickets to see his favourite band, Nine Inch Nails, in Los Angeles, unfortunately he didn't have money, transport, or a place to stay. He did have sarcasm, silliness, and songs!  
<https://arushoflaughter.co.uk/ignacio-lopez>

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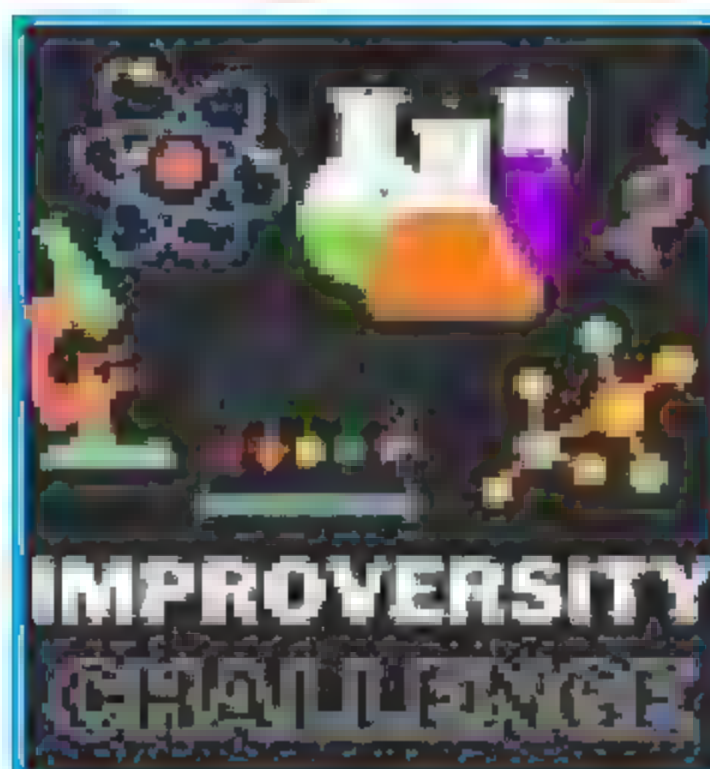
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Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Black Horse Map Ref: 9

Entry: £10 (£9)





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**IMPROVERSITY CHALLENGE**

Scientists, boffins, know-alls and research geeks - Leicester's full of them, from its Space Centre, to DNA discoveries, to top secret potato crisp flavourings. But can we understand what goes on in research establishments? The answer is a definite "Yes" tonight, when the comedy improv team listen to a real life expert and weave a hilarious story for you, with sketches, pizzazz and fairly flimsy understanding - Tears of joy, pain and puzzlement!

[unglamorous.co.uk](http://unglamorous.co.uk)

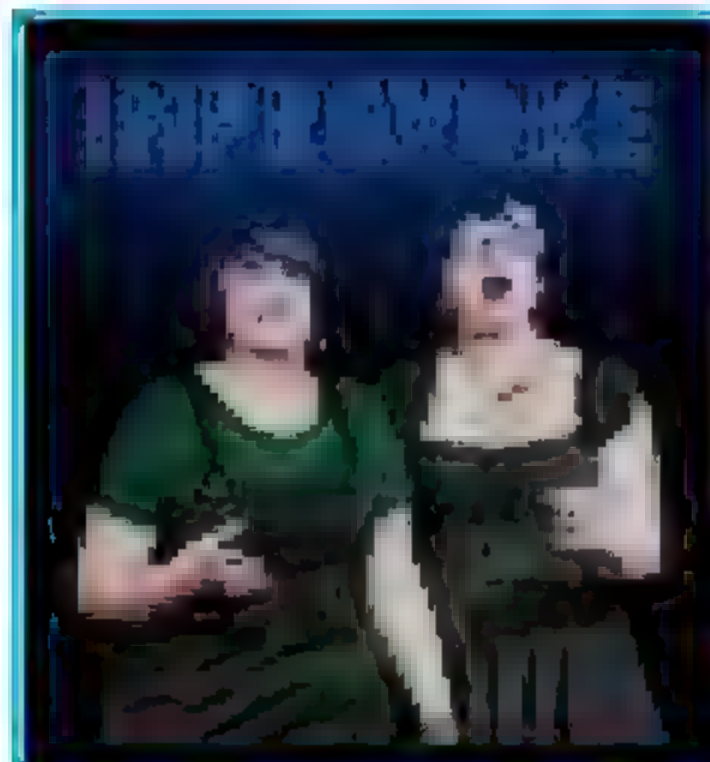
IMPROV

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Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: 200 Degrees Coffee Shop Map Ref: 1

Entry: £6

**IMPROVOKE**

The mashup of improv and karaoke you never knew you needed! Enjoy musical mayhem made up on the spot by madcap wonder duo Jen Kenny & Hannah Platts and their randomised playlist of over 500 karaoke backing tracks. Witness the hilarity as these improv maestros put their fates squarely in the hands of the shuffle gods... "Chaos, utter chaos: it's brilliant" "Hilarious! Can't recommend enough!"

IMPROV, MUSICAL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61

Entry: £8



NCF &amp; Late Stage Comedy present

**INFORM, EDUCATE, ENTERTAIN**

The comedy podcast panel show which wholeheartedly rips off popular three-letter institutions. Witness the cream of comedy talent interviewing for a job at Britain's newest and worst broadcaster! Faced with a set of raucously stupid challenges, they'll act out hastily-written afternoon plays, give educational presentations and wrestle with soul-searching questions like "when did you last see a horse?". Unmissable, unrepeatable and utterly unique!

[informeducateentertain.com](http://informeducateentertain.com)

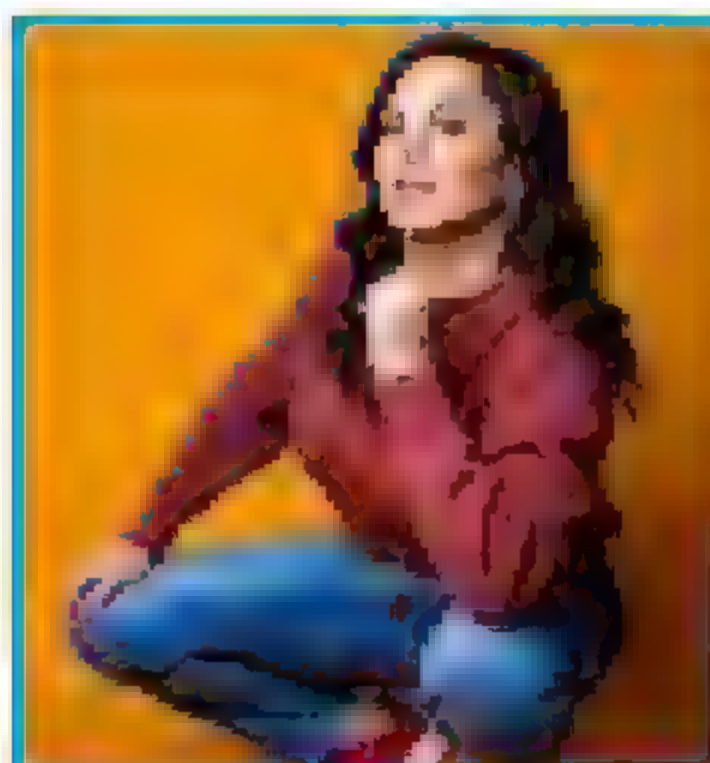
GAME SHOW, PODCAST

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Time: 22:00 (23:00)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5



Isabelle Farah presents

**ISABELLE FARAH: IRRESPONSABELLE**

Isabelle's debut stand-up hour about (not) growing up, terrible decisions and desperately failing to be a responsible adult. An ode to every irresponsible choice she's ever made. 'heat beating' (Graham Norton) 'Promising newcomer' (Telegraph). 'Woke Millennial... very funny' \*\*\*\* (Daily Mail). 'Spellbinding' \*\*\*\* (Chortle.co.uk). 'Devastatingly funny' \*\*\*\* (BritishTheatreGuide.info). As heard on BBC Woman's Hour.

[www.isabellefarah.com/irresponsabelle](http://www.isabellefarah.com/irresponsabelle)

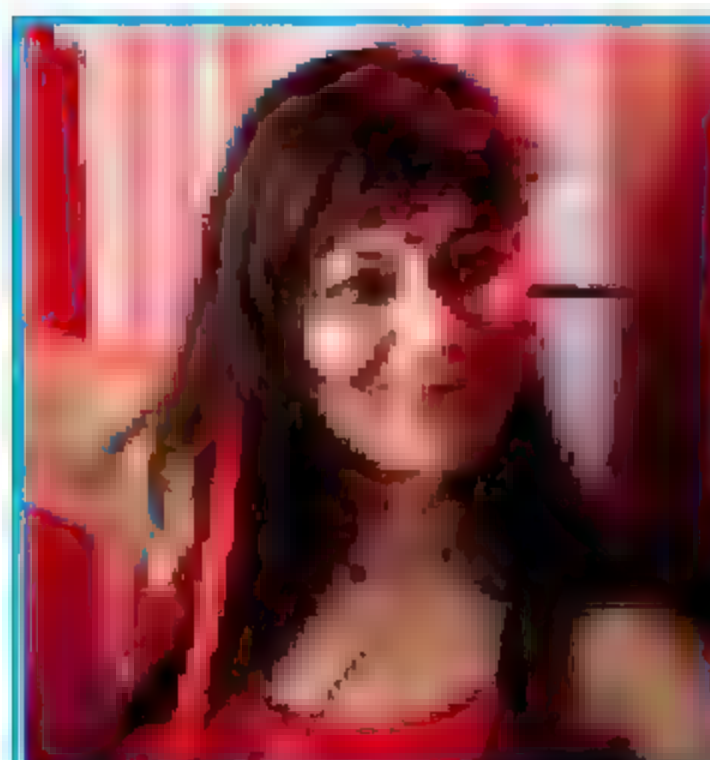
SOLO SHOW

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Time: 16:00 (17:00)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £8



2 Funny Comedy &amp; Monster Comedy present

**ISHI KHAN: LOVE, DESIRES STRAWBERRIES**

Late-blooming Muslim migrant comes out about a 1st kiss, desires & juicy strawberries. Multi-award nominated, internationally acclaimed comedian reveals the nonconformist path to happily ever after. Expect Bollywood dancing, silly props & BYO sparkles! Suitable for lovers, non-lovers & a yearning for soft fruit. "\*\*\*\* silly!" (Female Arts) "Life-affirming! engaging raconteur" (3 Weeks) "joyous bundle of energy" (S. Brodtkin) "original!" (A. Brown)

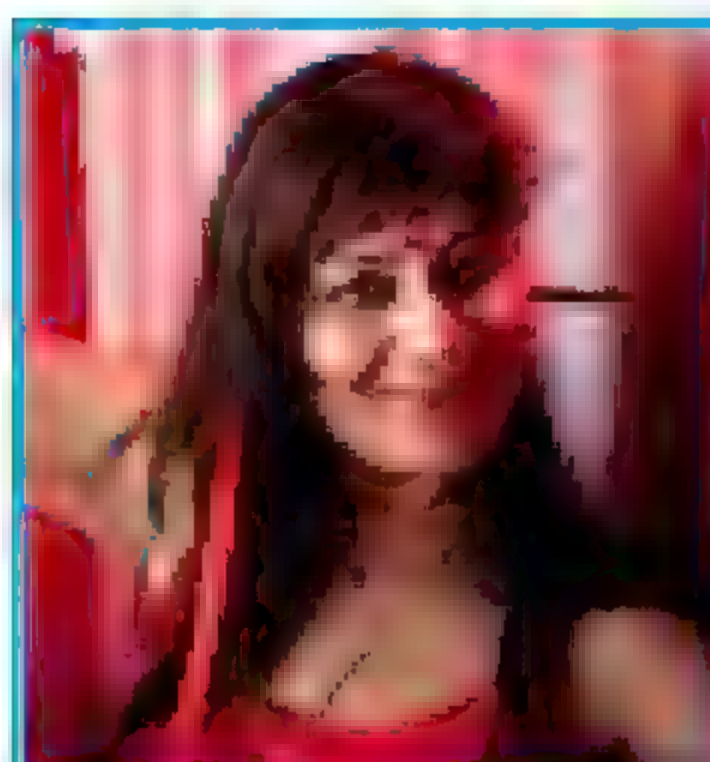
STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



2 Funny Comedy &amp; Furthest from the Sea present

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STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Knight &amp; Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want





Mirth of Forth Production present

**IT JUST SO HAPPENED**

Stand-up comedian Richard Pulsford (Top 10 Edinburgh Fringe jokes 2019, 2021 & 2022, Scottish Comedian of the Year runner-up 2021, UK Pun Championships winner 2022) hosts this show for history fans, back for a 4th year. 3 guest comedians / history buffs perform short stand-up sets based 'on this day' in history before exploring some possible alternative histories of Leicester people and events. Recorded for podcast. Website [itjustsohappened.co.uk](http://itjustsohappened.co.uk)

HISTORICAL, PODCAST

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	17:30 (18:30)
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MissImp Present's

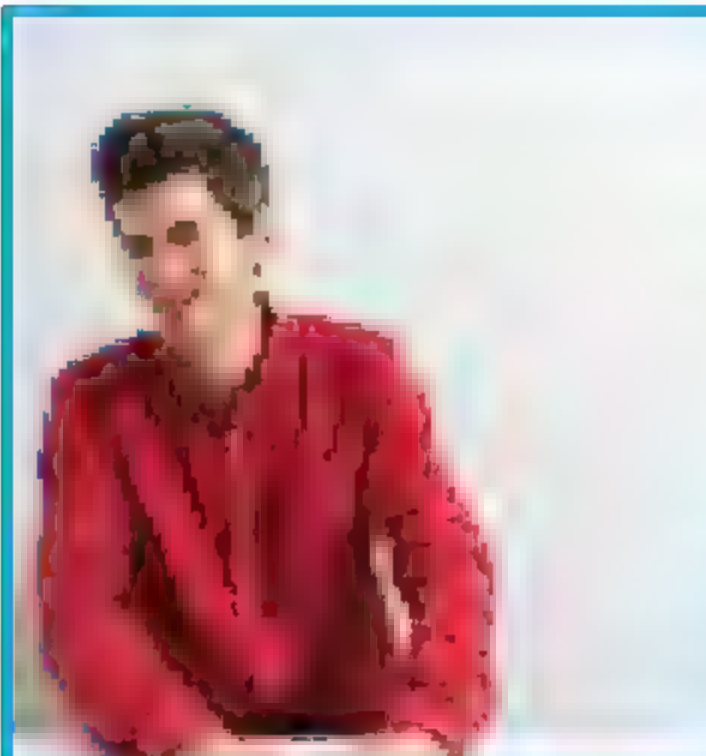
**IT'S A TRAP! THE IMPROVISED STAR WARS SHOW**

Hello there! Dropping out of hyperspace, It's A Trap returns to Leicester Comedy Festival with improvised tales from the Star Wars universe. This show was nominated for Best Improv Show at the 2022 Leicester Comedy Festival, and is back from a galaxy far, far away with their celebrated blend of Jedi, jokes and Jawas. Truly geeky, hilarious entertainment. This IS the show you're looking for. "The bright centre of the universe" Notts Comedy Review

[MissImp.co.uk](http://MissImp.co.uk)

IMPROV, THEATRE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (20:30)
Venue:	Sue Townsend Theatre Map Ref: 43																			Entry:	£12.50 (£10)



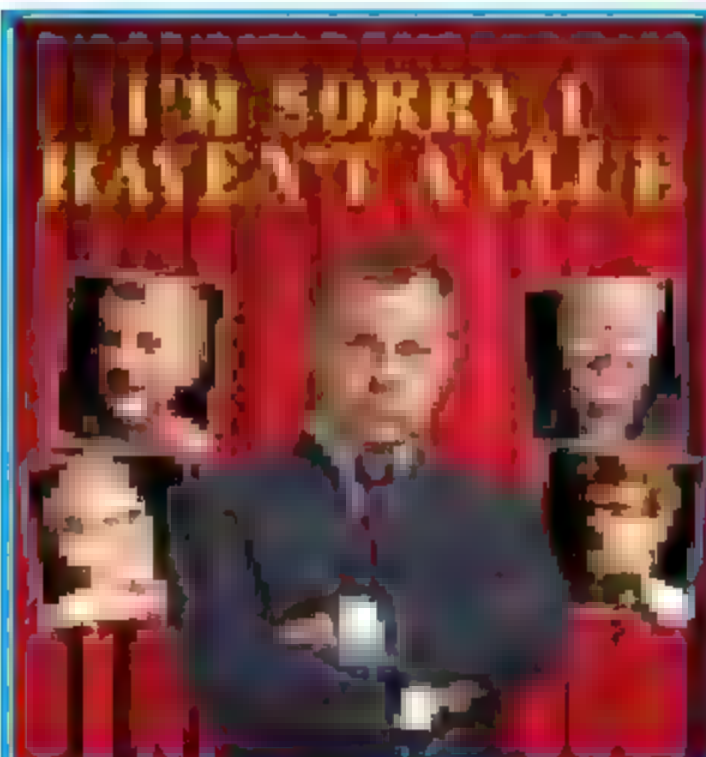
Off The Kerb Productions present

**IVO GRAHAM: WORK IN PROGRESS**

More frenetic life updates from the critically acclaimed anecdotalist/prank victim. Previously nominated for 'Best Show' at Edinburgh Fringe Festival 2019, and as seen/heard on Have I Got News For You, Mock the Week, Live at the Apollo, Fighting Talk, and Quickly Kevin: The Steffa Barnsa Tapes.

STAND UP

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Venue:	The Big Difference Map Ref: 45																			Entry:	£6



**I'M SORRY I HAVEN'T GOT A CLUE**

BBC Radio's multi award-winning antidote to panel games returns to the stage in 2023 with its sell-out touring show. Join Jack Dee, Marcus Brigstocke, Tony Hawks, Pippa Evans and Rory Bremner for an unmissable evening of inspired nonsense. With musical accompaniment from Colin Sell. "Indisputably the greatest radio comedy of all time." The Radio Times

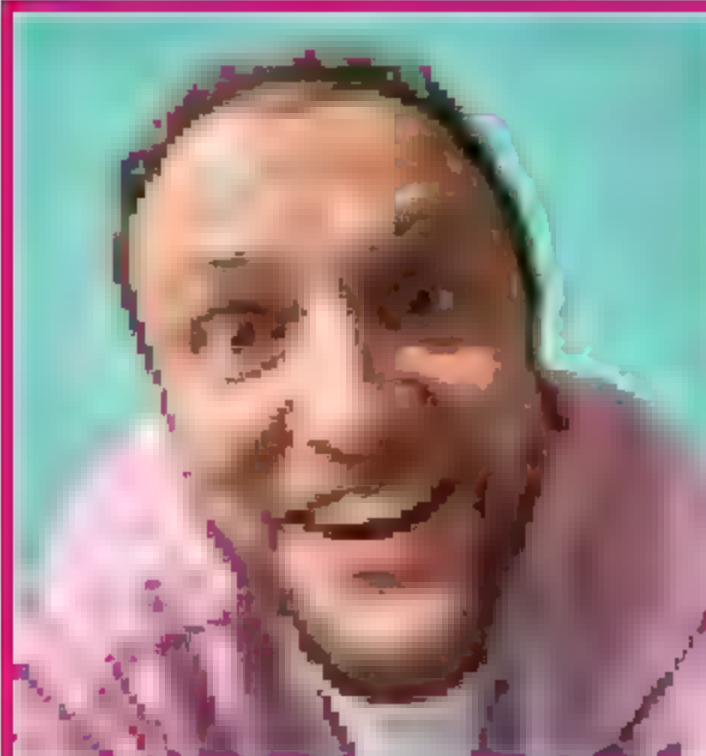
[demontforhall.co.uk](http://demontforhall.co.uk)

IMPROV

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Venue:	De Montfort Hall Map Ref: 16																			Entry:	£31.50

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Berk's Nest present

**JACK BARRY: DON'T HAPPY BE WORRY**

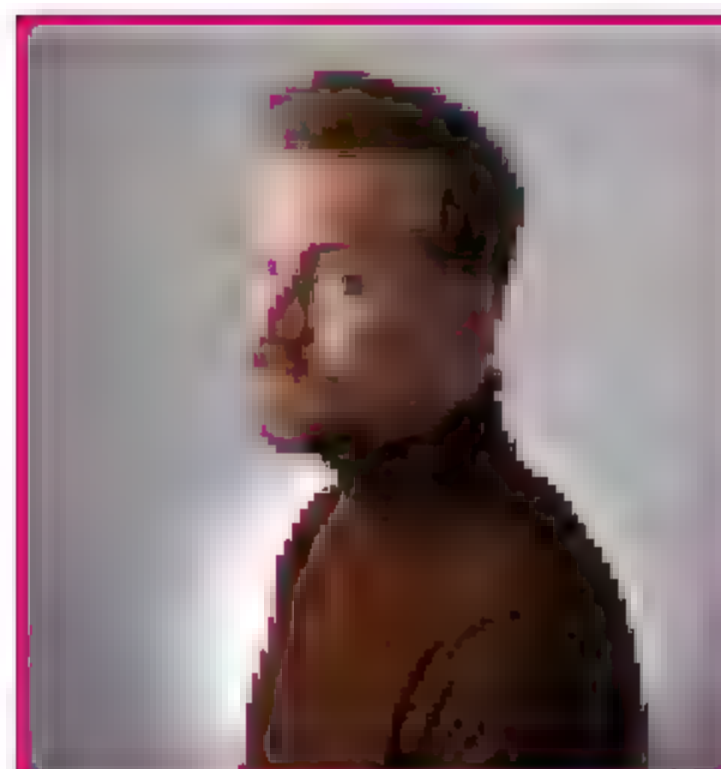
Hot piece of ass Barry rises from the ashes of the pandemic to heal your soul like a hearty dose of medicinal magic mushrooms. Cry from laughing, laugh from crying, forget that we're dying. Sunday Times Pick of the Fringe 2019. As seen as Jack in Mae Martin's Feel Good, and on The Stand Up Sketch Show and The Russell Howard Hour. Tour Support for James Acaster, Joe Lycett, Mae Martin. "The finest of British comedy" \*\*\*\*\* Ed Fest Mag

[berksnest.com](http://berksnest.com)

STAND UP

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Venue:	Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17																			Entry:	£10 advance or Pay What You Want



**JACK CAMPBELL: NUT MILK (WIP)**

Jack Campbell brings you his 7th or 8th work in progress show! He can't even remember or count higher than 10 anyway! This show needs WORK and certainly needs PROGRESS. The content of the show may change as well as the content of Campbell's character.

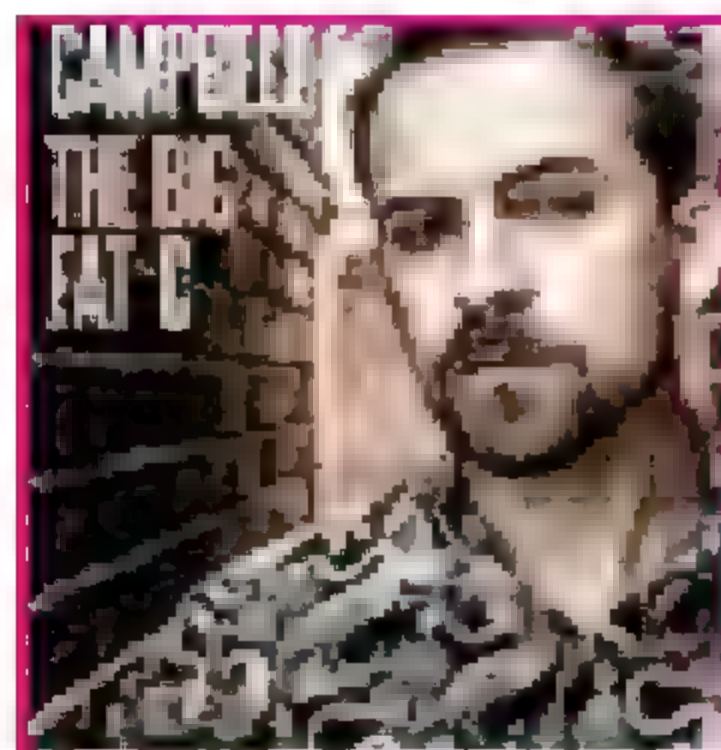
STAND UP

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Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



TripleGeePee Present

**JACK CAMPBELL: THE BIG FAT C**

Jack Campbell did his first stand-up gig in 2010, aged 19. In 2019, he became a full-time, stand-up comedian. In 2020, he began working at a Covid testing centre... for the next 18 months. This is a show covering those 18 months, the people we meet, the things we do to survive and thrive and also Bobby Davro is in there.

[instagram.com/jackcampbellcomedy](https://www.instagram.com/jackcampbellcomedy)

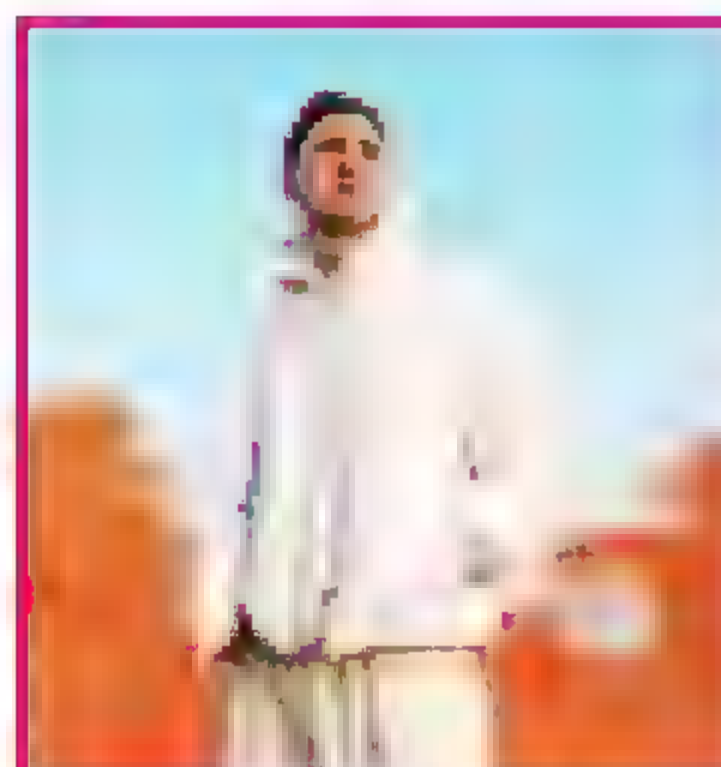
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Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Avalon present

**JACOB HAWLEY: BUMP**

Men will literally do a 55-minute show about identity, social class and drinking olive oil, instead of going to therapy :/ Award-winning wide boy Jacob Hawley considers whether ample mental health is an exclusively middle-class pursuit, if he's finally graduated from drugs to antipasti and, all considered, if he's ready to be a father. As seen on Sky's The Russell Howard Hour and BBC Three's Ladhood.

[jacobhawley.co.uk](https://www.jacobhawley.co.uk)

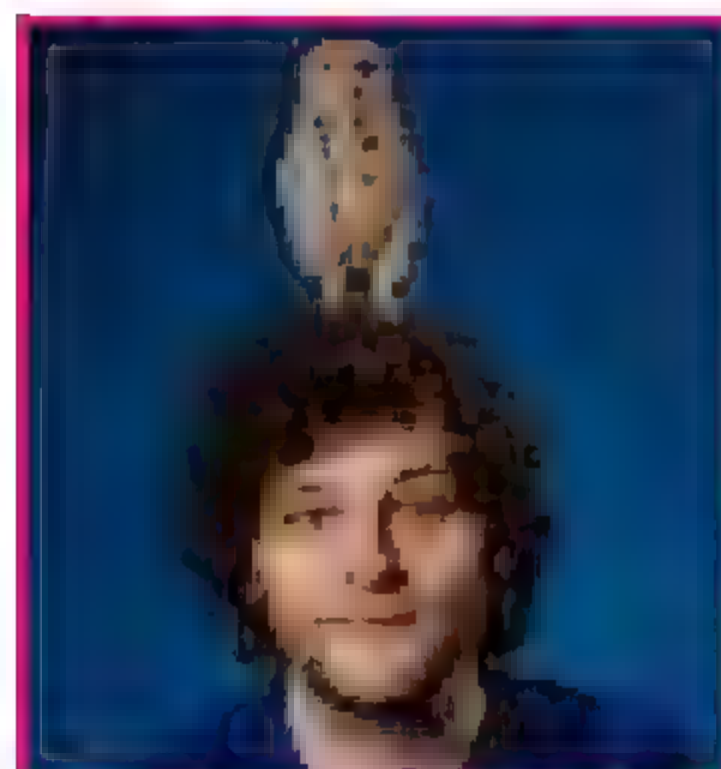
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £8 advance or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us Present

**JAKE BAKER: CARING IS CREEPY (WIP)**

A brand new show of ideas, jokes and stories. The perfect blend of the whimsical with the political. 'Quietly impressive... He has a talent that should not be overlooked'. (Chortle.com) 'Endearingly offbeat, great comic timing and an engagingly whimsical mind' \*\*\*\* (TheEdinburghReporter.co.uk). 'Naturally funny without trying too hard' (The Stand Comedy Club). Shortlisted for the BBC New Comedy Award 2015, 2017 and 2018.

[www.Jake-Baker.com](https://www.Jake-Baker.com)

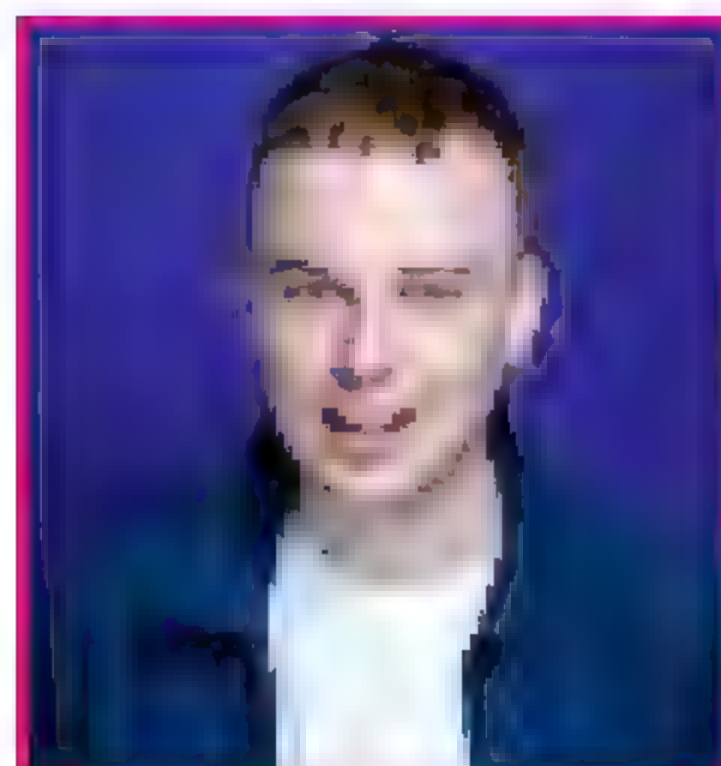
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: 45 West Map Ref: 2

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Berk's Nest present

**JAKE FARRELL: SKY**

Join Soho Theatre's Young Company alumni, rising stand-up talent & naive suburbanite Jake Farrell for his debut hour, asking: how far would you go for the people you love? Sky is a stand-up show about fear, the future & Stevenage - he's covering the big three. "A natural... this is a nuanced exploration of youth, half-hearted liberalism, family ties and artistic expression" \*\*\*\* Voice Mag. "A debut show of note, recommended" British Comedy Guide.

[berksnest.com](https://www.berksnest.com)

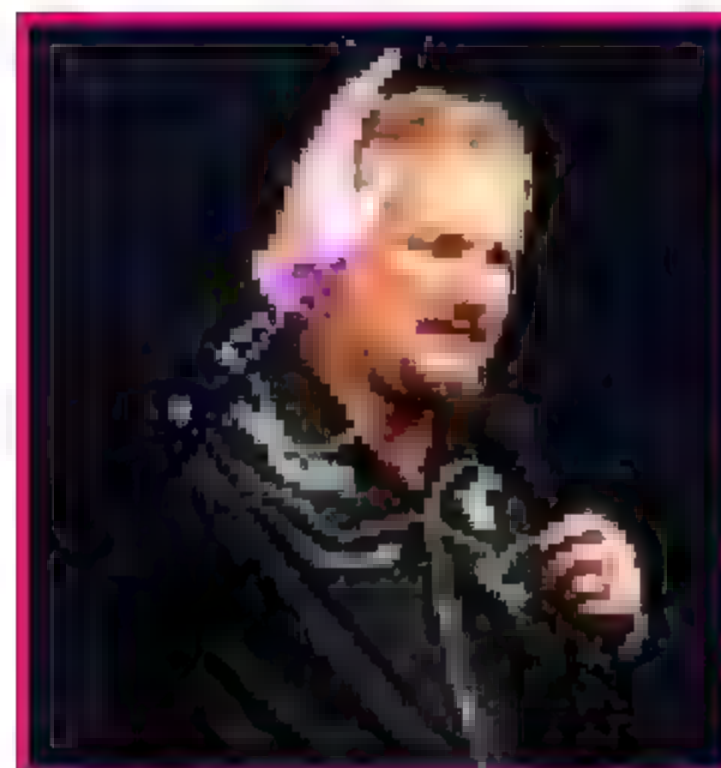
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Time: 14:30 (15:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £8 advance or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us Present

**JAMES COOK: SARKY BLEEDER 2 - SARKIER. BLEEDIER.**

Well obviously this is a show about being injured in the Channel Islands. Or is it? It's amazing how many people can't detect sarcasm, and they all hang out on Twitter. Find out what happens when a tweet goes viral and all the worst people in the world feel the need to join in. 'a top class comic' - Birmingham Mail 'Why do you feel the need to use profanity?' - Some c\*nt on Twitter.

[jamescookcomedian.com](https://www.jamescookcomedian.com)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

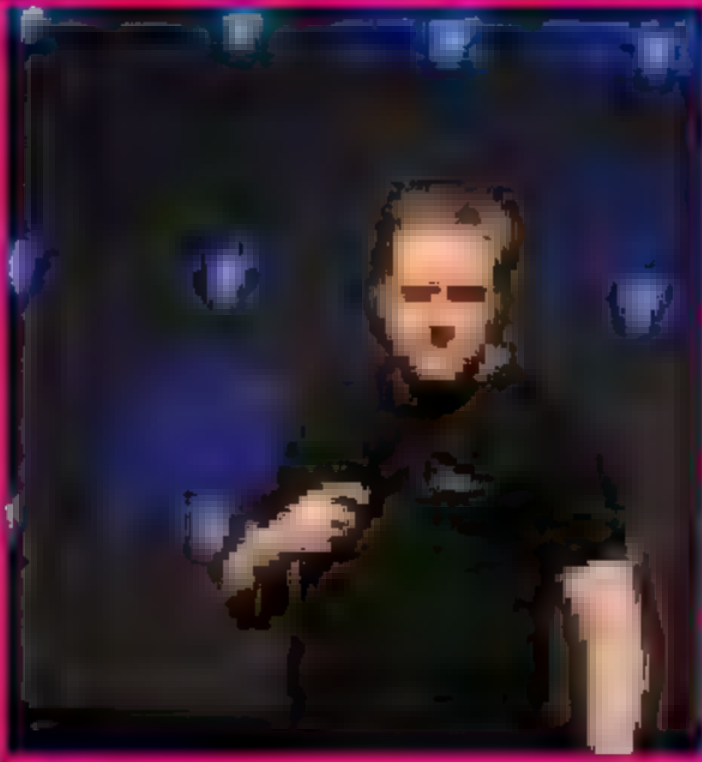
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Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want





JAMIE HUTCHINSON: WORK IN PROGRESS

Podcast hero Jamie Hutchinson is one of the brightest sparks on the UK circuit. But from the outside looking in, some would say his life is pathetic. But is it? Join him as he works through about an hour of chaos and decide for yourselves "His life is pathetic and it's so funny" Adam Rowe "Absolutely useless" Seann Walsh "Its hard to believe that he exists" Alfie Brown "One of the most marvelous fuck ups, I've ever met" Dan Nightingale


STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: Black Horse Map Ref: 9

Entry: £6



Avalon Presents

JARLATH REGAN: WORK IN PROGRESS

Jarlath Regan is an all-rounder, but his talent for stand-up was spotted early. His first few gigs earned him places in the finals of every new act competition, tour support spots for Ardal O'Hanlon, Marc Maron and Jack Whitehall, and television appearances on the BBC, NBC and Comedy Central. As a presenter and podcaster he has won a legion of loyal fans through the creation of his multi-award-winning global hit podcast An Irishman Abroad.  
[www.jigser.com/](http://www.jigser.com/)

STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Blue Jeans Management proudly presents

JARRED & HOBBIT: THE BIG BEATBOX COMEDY MESS AROUND GAMESHOW SHOW!

A delightful mess of a show combining the electrifying skills of award-winning comedian Jarred Christmas and the vocal genius of world-champion beatboxer Hobbit. Comedy, beatboxing and classic audience interaction featuring the Wheel of Limited Fortune, Hobbit's Mystery Music Round, songs about pancakes and a whole heap of messing around. Genuine prizes to be won and genuine laughs to be had. Controlled chaos at it's hilarious best!

GAME SHOW, INTERACTIVE

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: BrewDog Map Ref: 10

Entry: £12 (£10)



Menphys Hub present

JARRED CHRISTMAS & FRIENDS - LIVE AT THE HUB!

For one night only comedy returns to the Menphys hub! This time 3 of the UK's finest comedians will be taking to the stage, hosted by the fabulous Jarred Christmas. The evening will take you on a hilarious ride of laughs and gasps whilst raising vital funds that will allow the charity to support more children and young people with disabilities across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

WORLD PREMIERE


EVENT

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Time: 19:30 (21:30)

Venue: Menphys Map Ref: 36

Entry: £12



Blue Jeans Management Proudly Presents

JARRED CHRISTMAS: SILLY BILLY

One man, one hour, one joke followed by another with a few stories and tall tales thrown in, another few jokes to tickle your tickly bits, some messing around for the hell of it, another story with a sprinkling of jokes, and some laughs...job done. Numerous amazing reviews. Couple of rubbish ones. Heaps and heaps of stars. Silly Billy is an hour of laughs and good times. If you miss this show, then who is the real Silly Billy?  
[www.jarredchristmas.com](http://www.jarredchristmas.com)

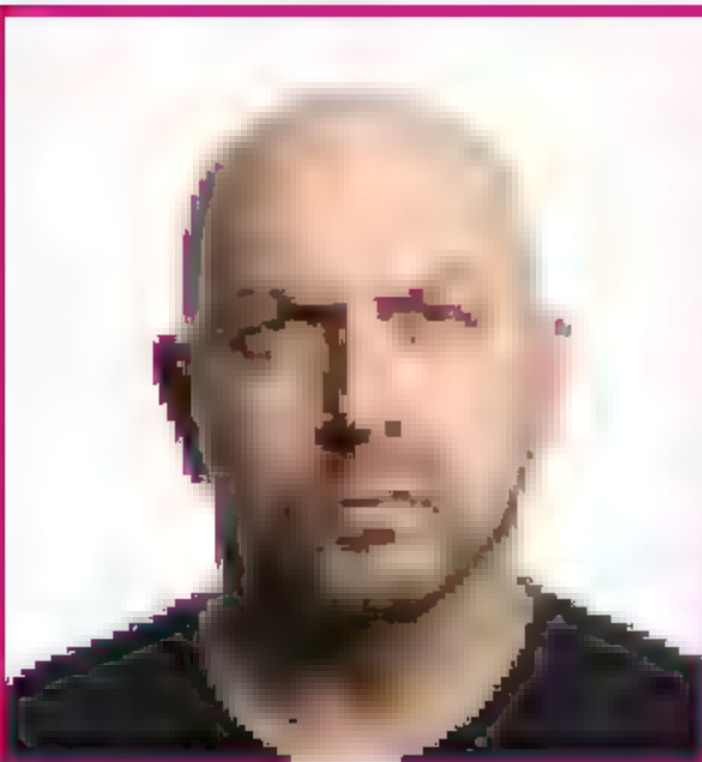
STAND UP

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Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £10 (£8)



JASON NEALE: AIN'T NOTHING LIKE THE NEALE THING, BABY (AIN'T NOTHING LIKE THE NEALE THING)

It's not puns; it's a comedy show that's an hour long from Leicester's own but it's definitely not puns. Why do the song-pun-show-title-thing if it doesn't include any puns? Because it's my show, I can do what I like. And there's no shortage of song titles that "Neale" fits into, so I'm sorted for years to come (providing comedy still exists). It's me telling stories and jokes for an hour. Sound good? Come along. Sound bad? Go see a pun show.  
[www.jasonneale.co.uk](http://www.jasonneale.co.uk)

WORLD PREMIERE

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

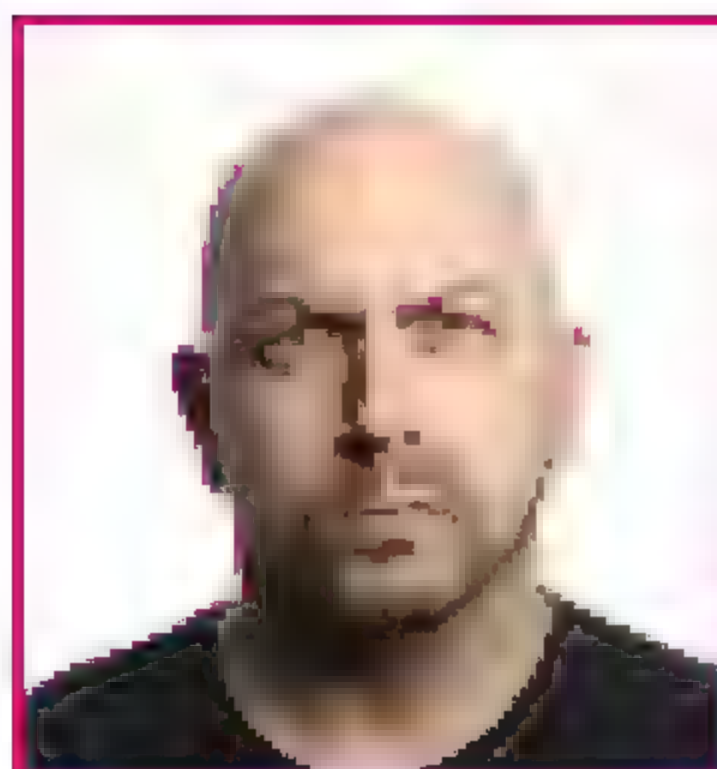
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Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want





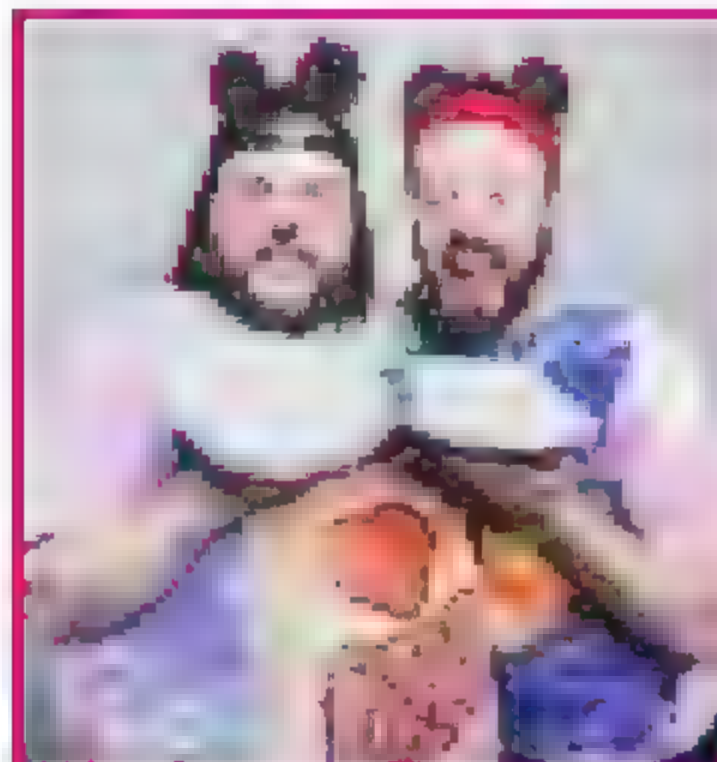
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STAND UP, STORYTELLING

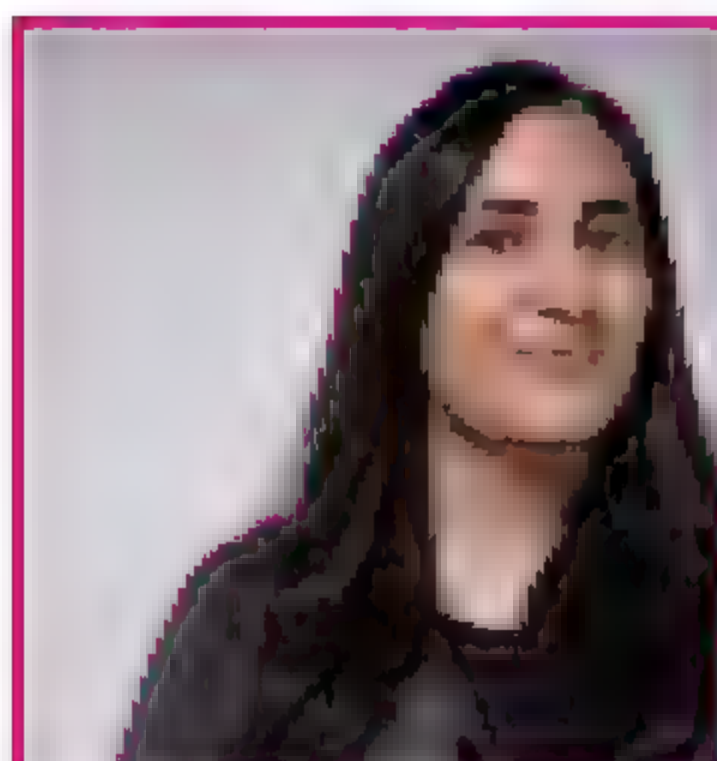
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## JEDDY BEAR & GARY'S FIESTA OF FUN

REGIONAL  
PREMIERE

Nominated for 'Best Kids Show' at the Leicester Comedy Festival & UK Kids' Comedy Festival awards in 2021, Hull's comedy duo Jed and Gary return to Leicester with a brand new show. Expect a fiesta of fun, that is full of mischief and audience participation with lots of fun and games, music, dancing and pie facing madness... well, what else would you expect from these festival favourites?! Don't miss the mayhem!

CHILDREN'S, FAMILY

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 12:30 (13:30)**Venue:** The Big Difference Map Ref: 45**Entry:** £6 (£5)

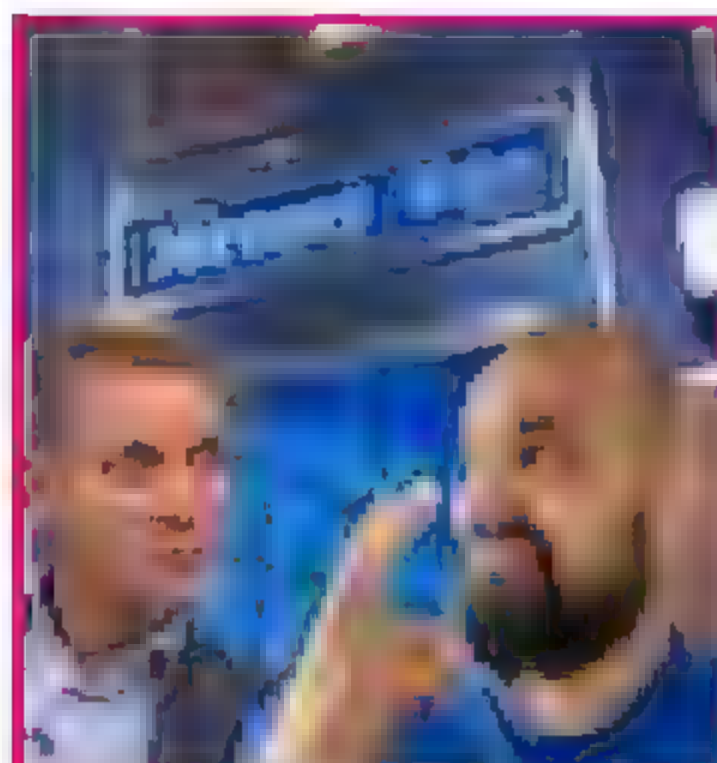
Weapons of Mass Hilarity present

## JENAN YOUNIS: A CONFLICT OF DISINTEREST



When Jenan was 13 she read a 2000-page Che Guevara biography and wanted to be just like him. Now the only thing she does have in common with him are her sideburns. BBC New Voices Winner, Jenan brings you a show about what it's like to revive what you stand for in a world of selective empathy and slacktivism with a cause that won't ever be "on trend" when you're a Middle Eastern minority rarer than an unfiltered Kardashian family photo.

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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**Time:** 19:30 (20:45)**Venue:** The Globe Map Ref: 50**Entry:** £5 (£4)

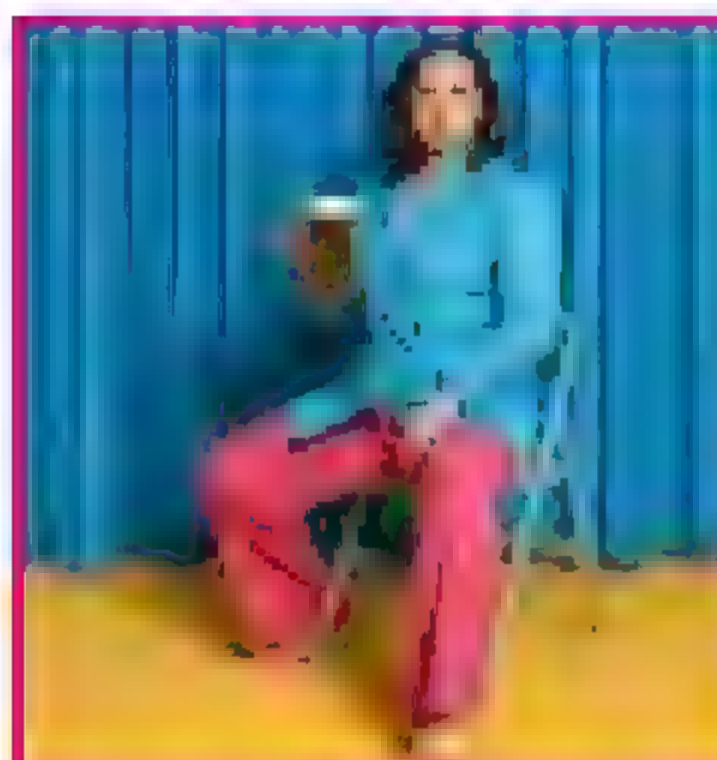
Monster Comedy Presents

## JEREMY KYLE DOESN'T CARE

WORLD  
PREMIERE

Multi award winning Doug Carter takes you on a journey through his crazy life, leading up to a bit of beef with the Jeremy Kyle show. Come and join him as he paints a picture of growing up in a small town, figuring out why he's brown with white parents, festival and rave life, and why Jeremy Kyle doesn't care. "A very funny man, he can only go up from here." Ninia Benjamin. "This guy is one to watch" Comedy Lounge Hull. Best Newcomer 2018 MCA.

SOLD SHOW, STAND UP

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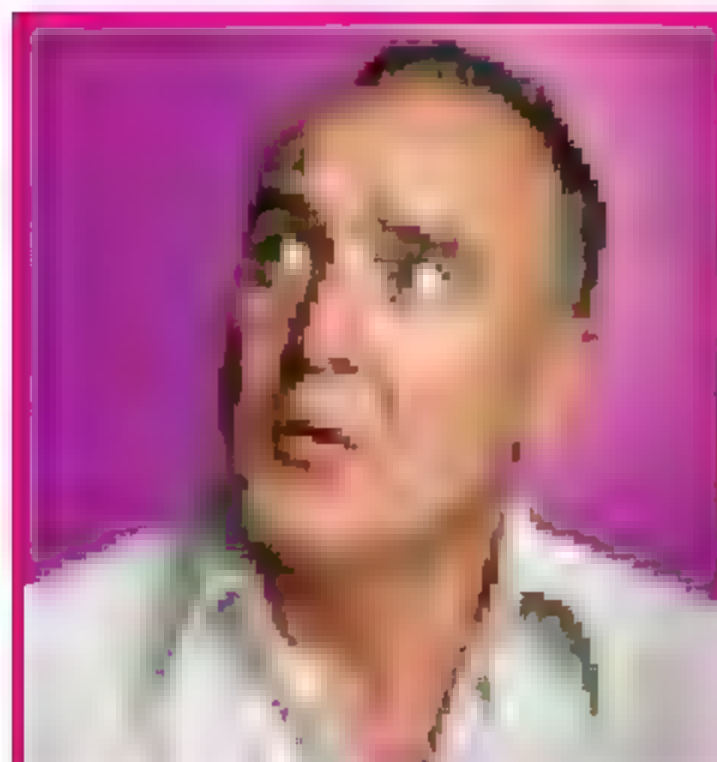
Ebdon Management Presents

## JESSICA FOSTEKEW: WORK IN PROGRESS



Edinburgh Best Show Nominee Jessica Fostekeew is back with the very first beginnings of a brand new show. Star and writer of brand new Sky Special 'Real Friends' and as also seen on Live at the Apollo, QI, Harry Hill's Club Nite. You've heard Jess on R4's News Quiz, Now Show and the massive Guilty Feminist Podcast. \*\*\*\*\* Why Now \*\*\*\*\* Guardian \*\*\*\*\* Times \*\*\*\*\* Chortle \*\*\*\*\* Skinny \*\*\*\*\* Broadway World \*\*\*\*\* The Times \*\*\*\*\* One4Review \*\*\*\*\* The Wee Review

STAND UP, SOLD SHOW

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## JIMEOIN



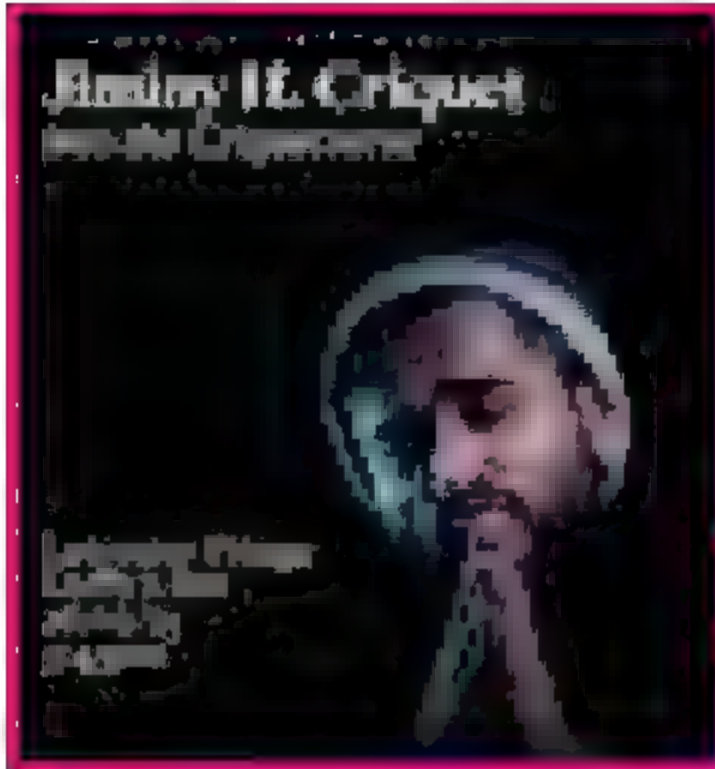
An hilarious evening of world-class stand-up from live comedy's internationally acclaimed Irish master! You've seen him on The Royal Variety Performance, Live at the Apollo, Sunday Night at the Palladium, Conan O'Brien or perhaps online where he has clocked-up hundreds of millions of views of his comedy clips... but nothing beats seeing Jimeoin live.

[demontforthall.co.uk](http://demontforthall.co.uk)

STAND UP

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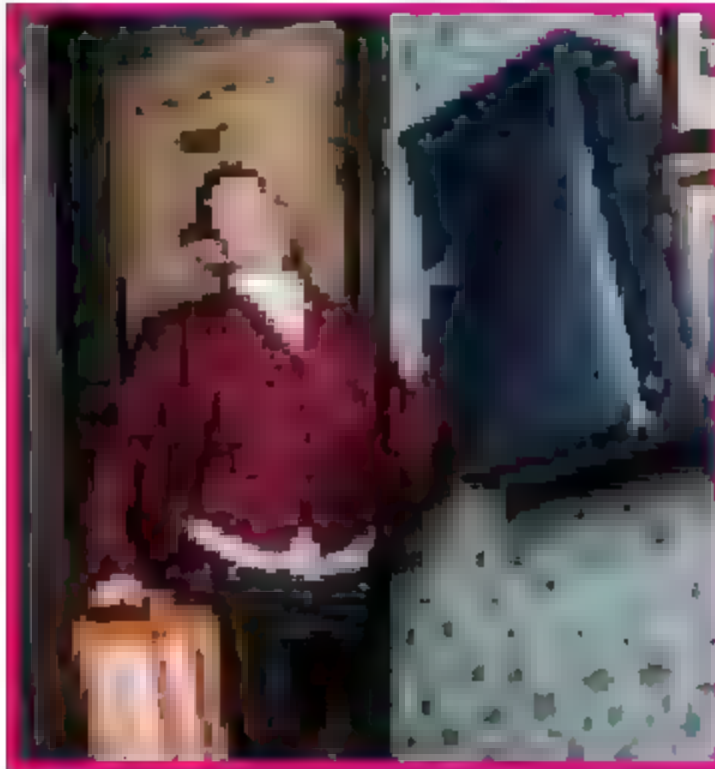
The Criquet Foundation for Eating Your Own A\*\* (CFfEYOA) presents

**JIMINY H. CRIQUET: INTO THE CRIQUETVERSE (WIP)**

Jiminy H. Criquet (no relation) presents his debut discombobulating and absolutely downright insane Character Comedy show. Along the way you'll meet a Cryptocurrency Guru who invested in the Teledildonics space, an Old New York Comic who wrote the first ever Knock Knock Joke and a Midwestern Cowboy who has never heard of Mashed Potatoes. Keep your body parts inside the venue as you travel through the Multiverse at breakneck speeds.  
[www.instagram.com/jiminy\\_h\\_criquet](https://www.instagram.com/jiminy_h_criquet)

STAND UP, CHARACTER

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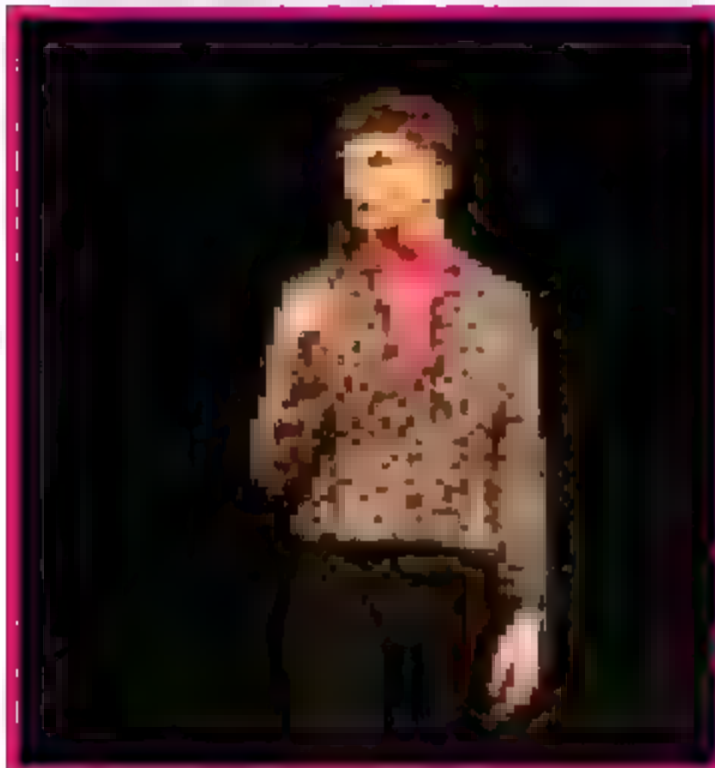


**JODY KAMALI: WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

Physical/character Comedian Jody Kamali is back in Leicester with an all new high-energy, physical comedy show. 'Brilliant, original, visual' Harry Hill 'Unquestionably entertaining' Chortle 'Hilarious, life-affirming, bonding' (The Guardian)

CHARACTER, CLOWN

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:00 (20:00)
Venue:	Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17																			Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want



United Agents present

**JOE SUTHERLAND: I'M DOING MY BEST**

Sell-out runs at Edinburgh Fringe, 5-star reviews, TV appearances on Hypothetical, Roast Battle and Eastenders (yes, really) and over 6 mil views on Tiktok. Impressed yet? No? Jeez, what does it take? Joe's serving up his sharpest, and bestest jokes from 10 years in showbiz ahead of a special taping. It's Cher's Farewell tour. If Cher was an ageing twink from Coventry. "Surely this is a star in the making" The List

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	22:00 (23:00)
Venue:	Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



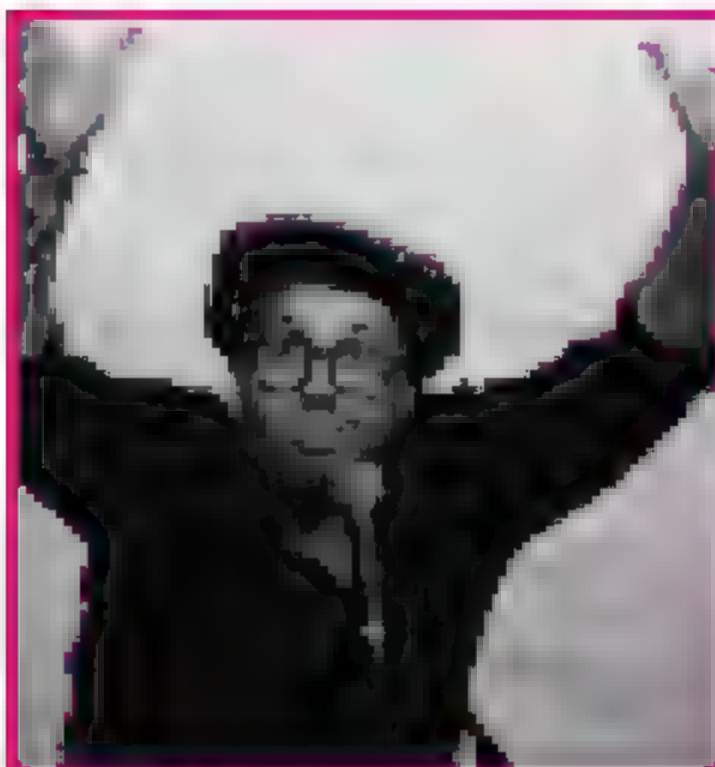
Brett Vincent for GetComedy proudly presents

**JOHN HASTINGS: DO YOU HAVE ANY OINTMENT MY JOHN HASTINGS?**

John Hastings has had to deal with the shit life has thrown at him since 2019... He got a divorce during Covid, his best friend got a terminal diagnosis, he got bed bugs, he nearly got his arm amputated and he did a massive poo in his pants. He has been on telly though: BBC Three if that counts? Oh and... America's Got Talent! 'Go see him now!' \*\*\*\* (Herald). 'Pleasure to watch' \*\*\*\* (Times). One of the Best Reviewed Shows: Edinburgh Fringe 2022

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:00 (21:00)
Venue:	The Big Difference Map Ref: 45																			Entry:	£10 (£8.50)



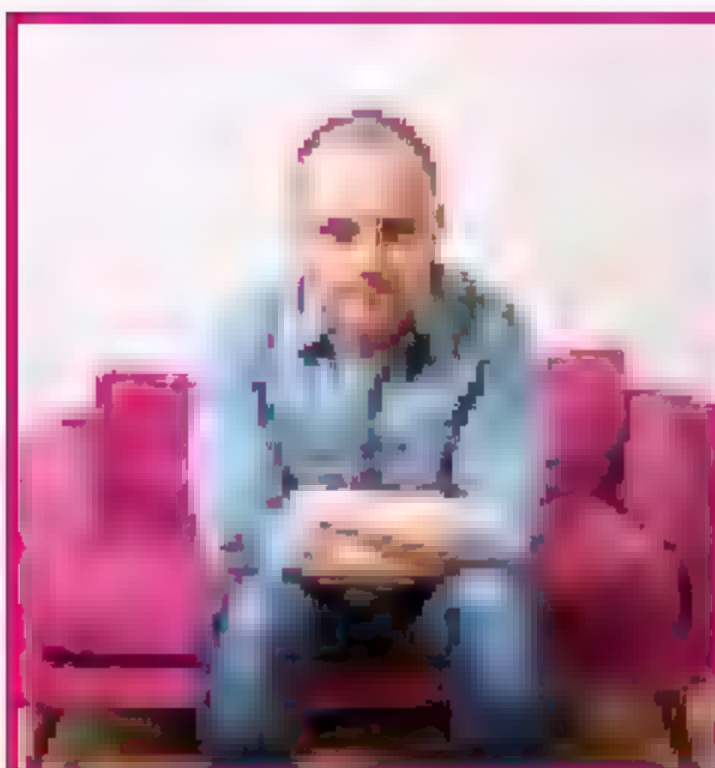
Avalon present

**JOHN KEARNS: THE VARNISHING DAYS**

The Varnishing Days is the heart-stopping, glasses-dropping, hard-rocking, wig-shaking, levothyroxine-taking, knee-knocking, boot-licking, justifying, teeth rattling, digressing new show from stand up comedian to the stars John Kearns. Go silent as I walk on! Acknowledge when something funny happens! Leave discussing dinner plans! Others will be implicated. Points will be circled and missed. Hell, it's a man trying his best!  
[twitter.com/johnsfurcoat](https://twitter.com/johnsfurcoat)

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:00 (21:40)
Venue:	Firebug Map Ref: 20																			Entry:	£12



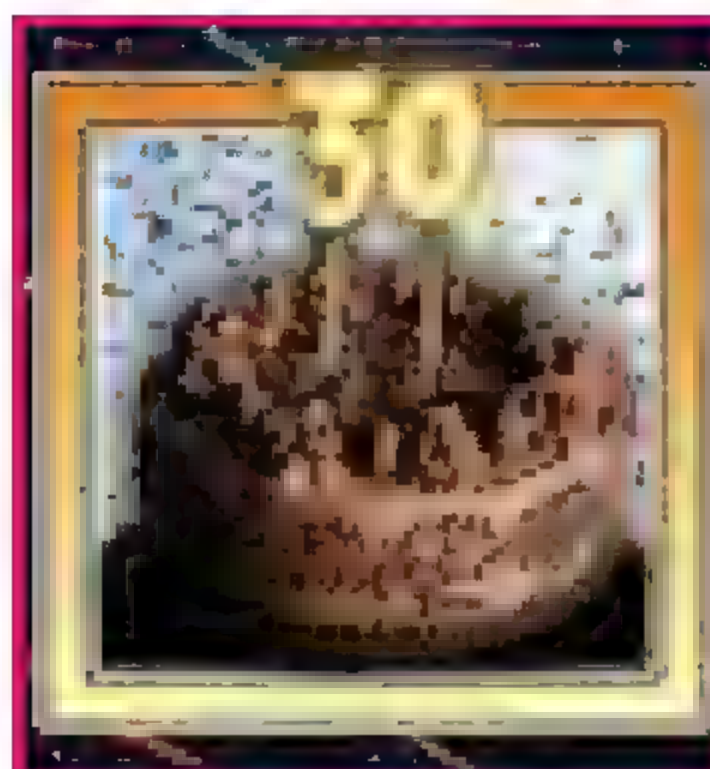
**JOHN MEAGHER: CALM**

Award winning Irish comedian John Meagher (as seen on BBC iplayer, and heard on BBC Radio 4) brings his show "Calm" to Britain following sell out performances throughout Ireland. "Hilarious. Sharp. Poetic" - Leicester Square Theatre, London "... grabbed the gig by the scruff of its neck with a loud, fast and punchy delivery." - Steve Bennett @ Chortle "A Compact, confident, powerful storyteller with a keen comic eye" - Bruce Dessau  
<https://jmeaghercomedy.com/>

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	18:00 (19:00)
Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£10 (£5)





NCF &amp; Late Stage Comedy presents

**JOHN'S 30TH BIRTHDAY SHOWCASE**

I'm thirty! How am I thirty? Join me in celebrating the big three-zero at the start of Leicester Comedy Festival as I bring together some of my favourite acts, some good comedy pals, and maybe even a big act if I can somehow give them the wrong directions. All are welcome and I promise to not be too inebriated whilst I MC what will be the best comedy night I can put on based on early ticket sales... so book promptly!

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 21:45 (23:00)**Venue:** Kaya! Map Ref: 28**Entry:** £8 (£6) advance or Pay What You Want

Big Difference present

**JOKE SPOT @ BEAUMONT LEYS CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILY CENTRE**

Roll up! Roll up! Joke Spot makes you the star as we invite anyone under the age of 18 to take the mic and become a comedian. Our pop-up stage will be touring Leicester throughout the festival and it's up to you to drop-in and tell us your best jokes. More venues to be announced, find out more @ kidscomedyfest or on our website!

[ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)

CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 12:00 (15:00)**Venue:** Beaumont Leys and Stocking Farm Children, Young People and Family Centre**Entry:** FREE

Big Difference present

**JOKE SPOT @ BEAUMONT LEYS LIBRARY**

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CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 13:00 (15:45)**Venue:** Beaumont Leys Library Map Ref: 6**Entry:** FREE

Big Difference present

**JOKE SPOT @ BELGRAVE LIBRARY**

Roll up! Roll up! Joke Spot makes you the star as we invite anyone under the age of 18 to take the mic and become a comedian. Our pop-up stage will be touring Leicester throughout the festival and it's up to you to drop-in and tell us your best jokes. More venues to be announced, find out more @ kidscomedyfest or on our website!

[ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)

CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 13:00 (15:45)**Venue:** Belgrave Library Map Ref: 7**Entry:** FREE

Big Difference present

**JOKE SPOT @ HIGHFIELDS LIBRARY**

Roll up! Roll up! Joke Spot makes you the star as we invite anyone under the age of 18 to take the mic and become a comedian. Our pop-up stage will be touring Leicester throughout the festival and it's up to you to drop-in and tell us your best jokes. More venues to be announced, find out more @ kidscomedyfest or on our website!

[ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)

CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 13:00 (15:45)**Venue:** Highfields Library Map Ref: 25**Entry:** FREE

Big Difference present

**JOKE SPOT @ PORK PIE LIBRARY & COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Roll up! Roll up! Joke Spot makes you the star as we invite anyone under the age of 18 to take the mic and become a comedian. Our pop-up stage will be touring Leicester throughout the festival and it's up to you to drop-in and tell us your best jokes. More venues to be announced, find out more @ kidscomedyfest or on our website!

[ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)

CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 13:00 (15:45)**Venue:** Pork Pie Library & Community Centre Map Ref: 41**Entry:** FREE





Big Difference present

**JOKE SPOT @ THE BRITE CENTRE**

Roll up! Roll up! Joke Spot makes you the star as we invite anyone under the age of 18 to take the mic and become a comedian. Our pop-up stage will be touring Leicester throughout the festival and it's up to you to drop-in and tell us your best jokes. More venues to be announced, find out more @ [kidscomedyfest](#) or on our website! [ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](#)

CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	11:00 (14:00)
Venue:	The BRITE Centre Map Ref: 46																			Entry:	FREE



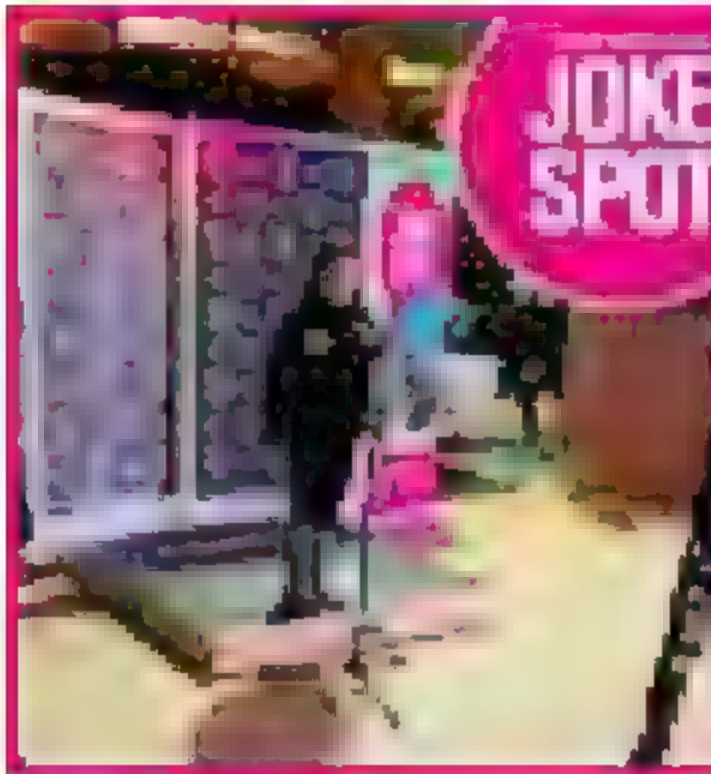
Big Difference present

**JOKE SPOT @ THE GROVE COMMUNITY HUB**

Roll up! Roll up! Joke Spot makes you the star as we invite anyone under the age of 18 to take the mic and become a comedian. Our pop-up stage will be touring Leicester throughout the festival and it's up to you to drop-in and tell us your best jokes. More venues to be announced, find out more @ [kidscomedyfest](#) or on our website! [ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](#)

CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	13:00 (15:45)
Venue:	The Grove Community Hub Map Ref: 52																			Entry:	FREE



Big Difference present

**JOKE SPOT @ WESTCOTES LIBRARY**

Roll up! Roll up! Joke Spot makes you the star as we invite anyone under the age of 18 to take the mic and become a comedian. Our pop-up stage will be touring Leicester throughout the festival and it's up to you to drop-in and tell us your best jokes. More venues to be announced, find out more @ [kidscomedyfest](#) or on our website! [ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](#)

CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	13:00 (15:45)
Venue:	Westcotes Library Map Ref: 64																			Entry:	FREE

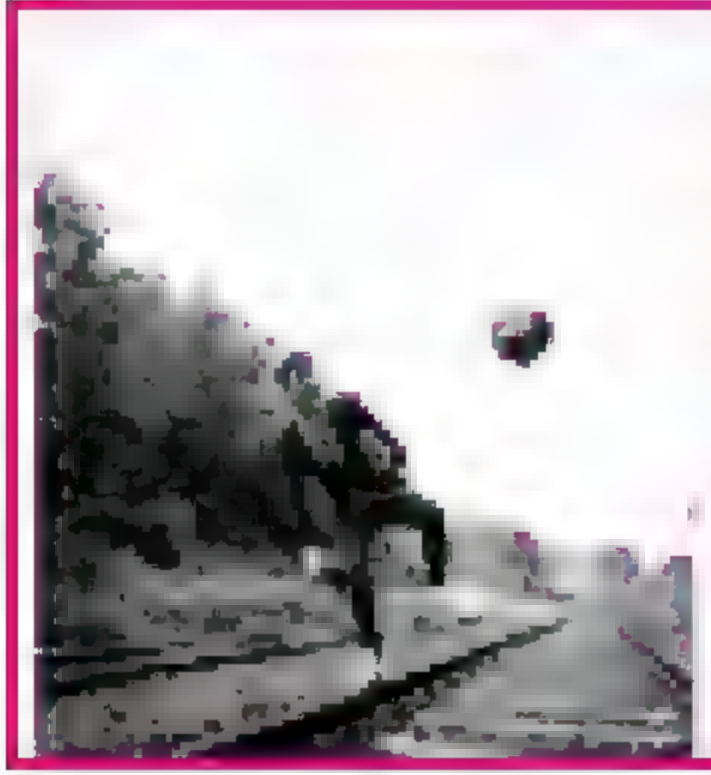


**JOKES ON US: NEW ACT SHOWCASE**

Want to see some fresh new comedy talent? Nothing to do on a Monday? Enjoy rhetorical questions in bios? Boy, have we got the show for you! Here at Jokes on Us we're always on the look out for rising stars and we've invited some of our favourite new comedians to perform short spots in one of our favourite venues, The Exchange. Join host Alex Hylton in this Pay What You Want treat.

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:45 (20:45)
Venue:	The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



Jokes on Us Presents

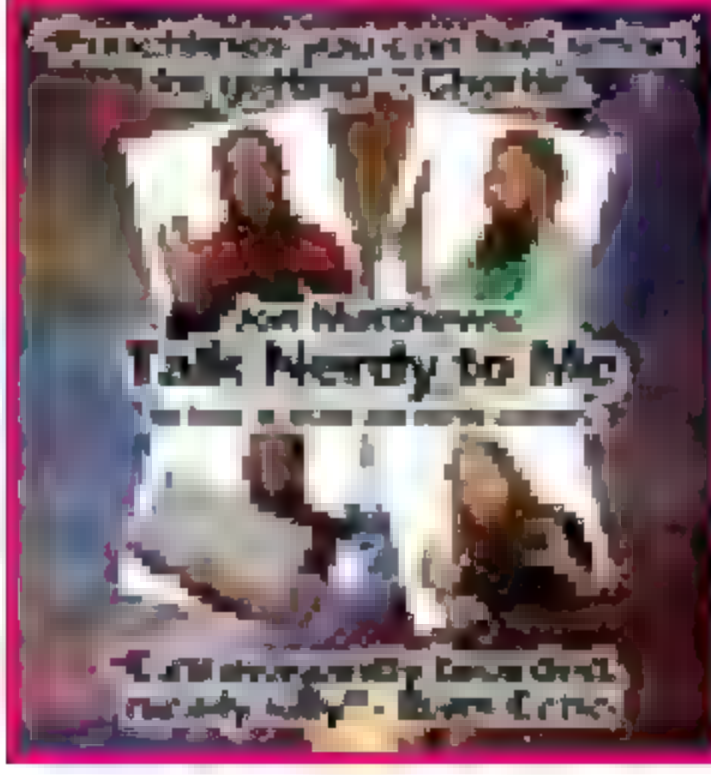
**JON HIPKISS - THIS NEEDS TO BE DELIGHTFUL**

The show that does exactly what it says in the title as these dark days call for a stand-up special with no agenda or political message... just some jokes, stories and a smorgasbord of characters. Leicester Comedy Festival Best New Show Award Nominee Jon Hipkiss returns to his favourite place outside of rehab. "Great Work" - Jack Whitehall. "Laugh out loud funny" - Jon Richardson. Alumni of Chicago's The Second City. [https://linktr.ee/jonathanhipkiss](#)

WORLD PREMIERE

STAND UP, SOLD SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	21:30 (22:30)
Venue:	45 West Map Ref: 2																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



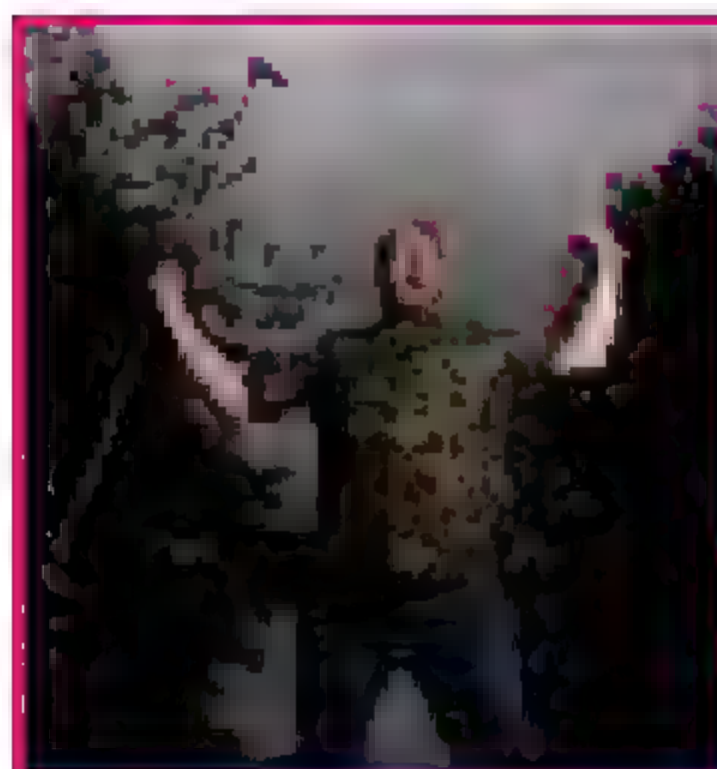
**JON MATTHEWS: TALK NERDY TO ME**

Nerdy jokes are the order of the day as Jon Matthews, "the UK's funniest pub quiz machine" (Dirty Doves), brings plenty of "punchlines you can feel smart for getting" (Chortle) on subjects as diverse as science, history and cricket. The jokes come thick and fast as the "extravagantly bearded and nicely silly" (Bath Echo) comedian unveils his passion for charts, science fiction and ancient Sumerian deities! [https://jonmatthews25.wixsite.com/jonmatthewscomedy](#)

STAND UP, ALTERNATIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (20:30)
Venue:	The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want





A Rush Of Laughter

**JON PEARSON: ICE BREAKER**

Best Improv Show 2022 Winner, Jon Pearson is back with a new interactive, crowd based show. Mixing crowd work with audience written Ice Breaker questions, Jon will be flexing his improv skills to create an engaging and completely unique show again at Leicester Comedy Festival. Unscripted, Unfiltered and Unrehearsed.

<https://www.jonpearson.co.uk>

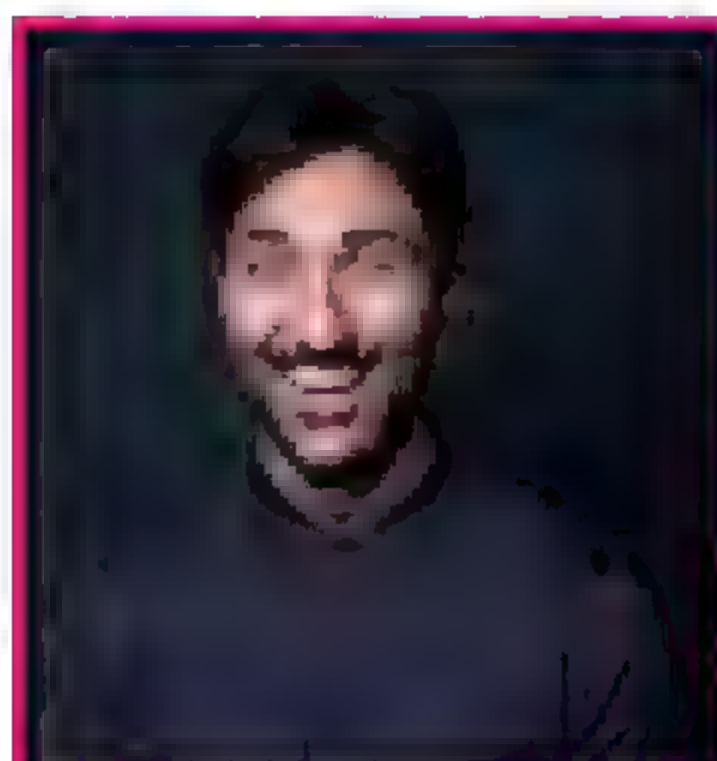

SOLO SHOW, IMPROV

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 22:00 (23:00)**Venue:** Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want**JOSEPH PARSONS: EQUALISER**

Dubbed as "one to watch" by The Times, Joseph Parsons' brings his high energy stand up show about being a gay sports fan to Leicester. With the World Cup in Qatar now finished, Parsons brings fresh material from his hit show at the Edinburgh Fringe. As heard on BBC's LGBTQ+ Sports podcast and Talksport. "Immensely Likeable performer" -- Arts Desk. "A sheer treat" -- Culture Fix.

[www.josephparsons.co.uk](http://www.josephparsons.co.uk)


STAND UP, STORYTELLING

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 19:45 (20:45)**Venue:** Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want

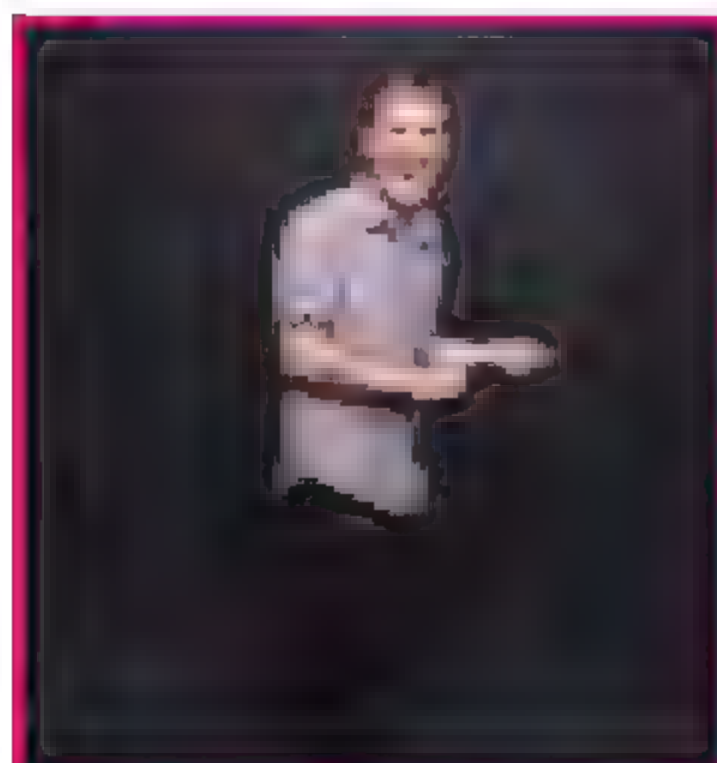
UTC present

**JOSH JAMES LIVE (WIP)**

'Josh James Live' is a work in progress show from one of the circuits best up and coming chaps. Branded 'a proper Essex geezer', Josh James delivers sharp punchlines packed full of both warmth and edge. His natural charisma has seen him voted Essex Comedian of the Year 2019 and appear on 'The Lateish Introduces' as part of Mo Gilligan's BAFTA award winning show 'The Lateish Show'.

<https://www.joshjamesy.com/>


STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

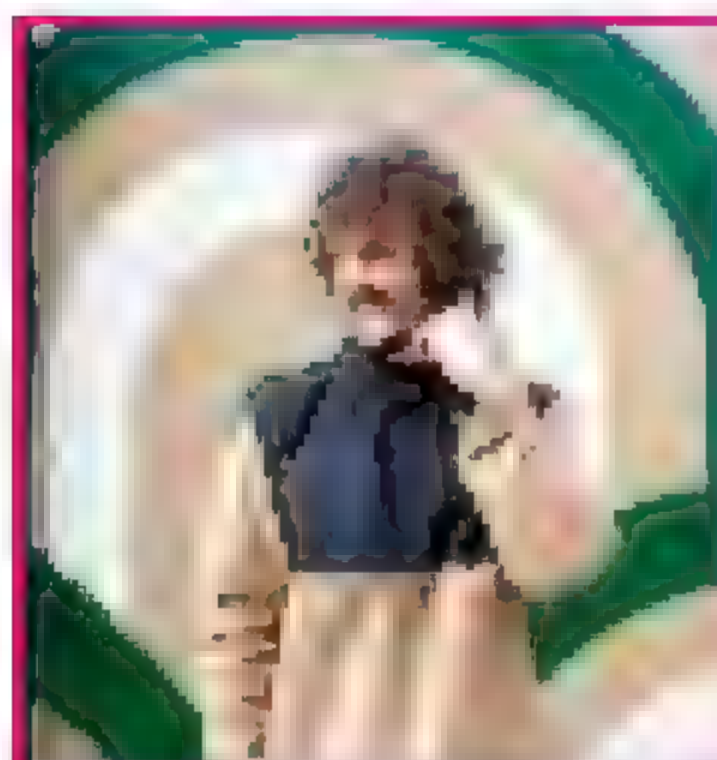
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**Time:** 18:30 (19:30)**Venue:** The Big Difference Map Ref: 45**Entry:** £8

Off The Kerb Productions present

**JOSH JONES: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Brand new hour from BBC New Comedy Award finalist and Edinburgh's Best Newcomer Award nominee 2022; one of the most refreshing and original comedic voices to emerge from the North-West in recent years. Fast becoming a TV regular Josh has recently made breakthrough appearances on 8 Out Of 10 Cats (E4), Reality News (E4), Undeniable (Comedy Central), Fast Food Face Off (BBC Three), CelebAbility (ITV2) and Jonathan Ross' Comedy Club (ITV).

STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 21:00 (22:00)**Venue:** PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38**Entry:** £6

Parkas Comedy presents

**JOSH PUGH: HAHA YEAH, SOUND (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

An hour of new ideas and jokes from Edinburgh Award Nominee and host of no podcasts Josh Pugh. "As seen on Mock the Week, Hypothetical, Question Team and more. "Pugh delivers a near masterclass in his art form" The Sunday Post. "A Stealthy, Clever and Heartwarming Show." The Guardian .



STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 19:30 (20:30)**Venue:** The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want

Avalon Presents

**JOSH WELLER: AGE AGAINST THE MACHINE (WIP)**

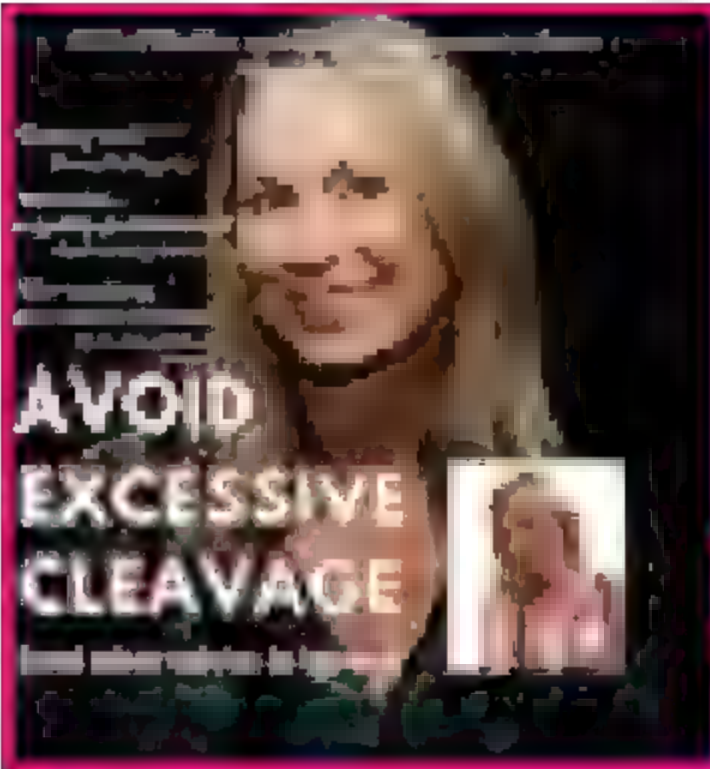
"Recently handpicked by Fred Armisen to be his opener, Josh Weller is a failed musician turned comedian. He signed to Universal records when he was 23 and was very quickly dropped. Age Against The Machine is the story of Weller's failed music career. Over a decade trying to 'make it'. From bad songs, to life on the road playing to empty rooms. A twelve year long journey, with all the behind the scenes gossip and music industry craziness.

[twitter.com/joshweller](https://twitter.com/joshweller)


STAND UP

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**Time:** 19:00 (20:00)**Venue:** Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17**Entry:** £5 advance or Pay What You Want





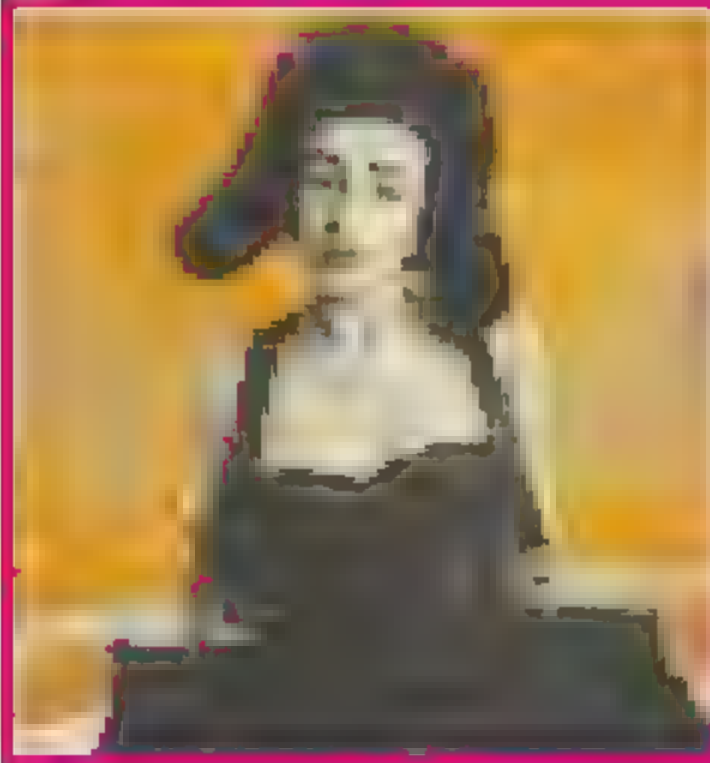
NCF & Late Stage Comedy present

**JULES O'BRIAN: AVOID EXCESSIVE CLEAVAGE (AND OTHER ADVICE TO IGNORE)**

Jules O'Brian turned 50 this year, and the unsolicited advice never stops: whether it's being told you're never too old and it's never too late, disguise your wrinkles, or avoid excessive cleavage, Jules has had enough. Accompanied by (a life-sized cardboard cut-out of) Liz Hurley, a silly song or two, and her trusty friend, Pinot, Jules O'Brian is on her own Middle Age Crusade to silence unsolicited advice.

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Impatient Productions present

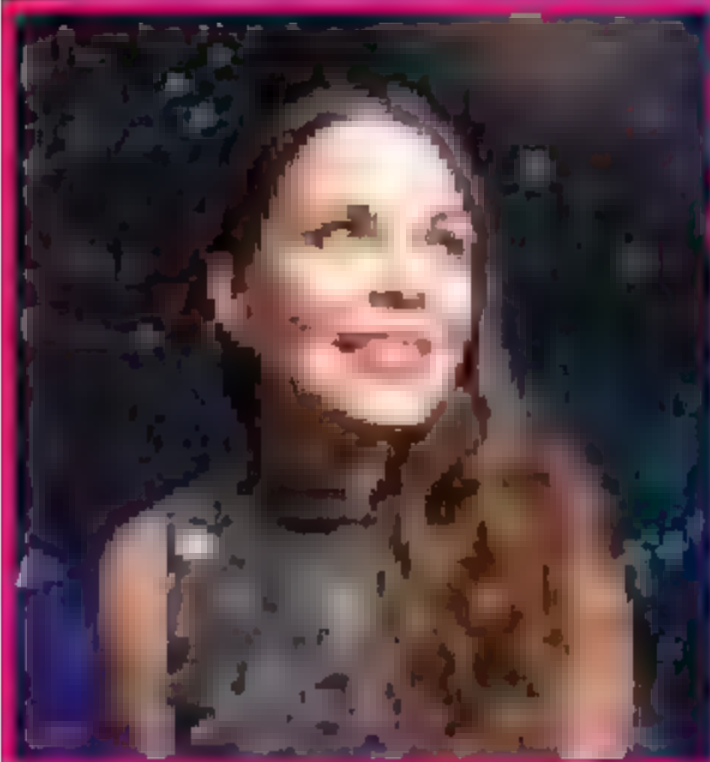
**JULIA MASLI: CHOOSH!**

One of the best-reviewed & most in-demand debut shows of this year's Edinburgh Fringe: an absurd homage to migration, in which a hungry Eastern European clown voyages to America for a hot dog. Choosh, by the way, means 'bullshit' - of all kinds. \*\*\*\*\* 'This has to be seen to be believed, delightful from beginning to end' London Theatre 1 \*\*\*\*\* 'I've seen comedy before, but nothing compares to what Choosh! has to offer' (The Voice)

[juliamasli.com](http://juliamasli.com)

CLOWN, STORYTELLING

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 20:30 (21:30)
Venue:	Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17																			Entry: £8 advance or Pay What You Want



Ingenious Fools & Andrew Roach Talent Ltd

**JULIETTE BURTON: NO BRAINER (WIP)**

We've all got a brain, although some work better than others. Juliette's brain was broken and, in attempting to fix it, she's learned a lot. She'll share it with you in this manual for the mind. But how do you get better for good? Is it mind over matter? And is recovery really a no brainer? As seen & heard on BBC1, ITV, Radio 4 & Radio 5 Live. "Joyous" Times "Fringe favourite" Guardian \*\*\*\*\* Mirror \*\*\*\*\* "Hilarious" EdFestMag \*\*\*\*\* BroadwayBaby

[www.julietteburton.co.uk](http://www.julietteburton.co.uk)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Venue:	Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us Present

**JUST GUYS BEIN' DUDES: JACOB HATTON & RICHARD STOTT**

Richard Stott (The Times's Best Jokes of the Fringe 2022) and Jacob Hatton (Hastings Fringe Best Newcomer 2022 Finalist) are guys being dudes. What's better than this? An electric hour of jokes and stand-up from two top tier acts and fellas.

STAND UP

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**JUST THE TONIC'S SATURDAY NIGHT SPECIAL**

Just the Tonic Comedy Club presents another one of our fine mixed bill line ups. At time of going to print we are keeping this one a surprise. Please check [www.justthetonic.com](http://www.justthetonic.com) for details nearer the time. 'Consistently boasting the most interesting line ups in the country' (The Times). Early Bird price listed below. Price is subject to change depending on acts booked. These shows always sell out, so grab tickets while you can

[www.justthetonic.com/leicester-comedy](http://www.justthetonic.com/leicester-comedy)

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 20:00 (22:00)
Venue:	Just the Tonic at Hansom Hall Map Ref: 27																			Entry: £13

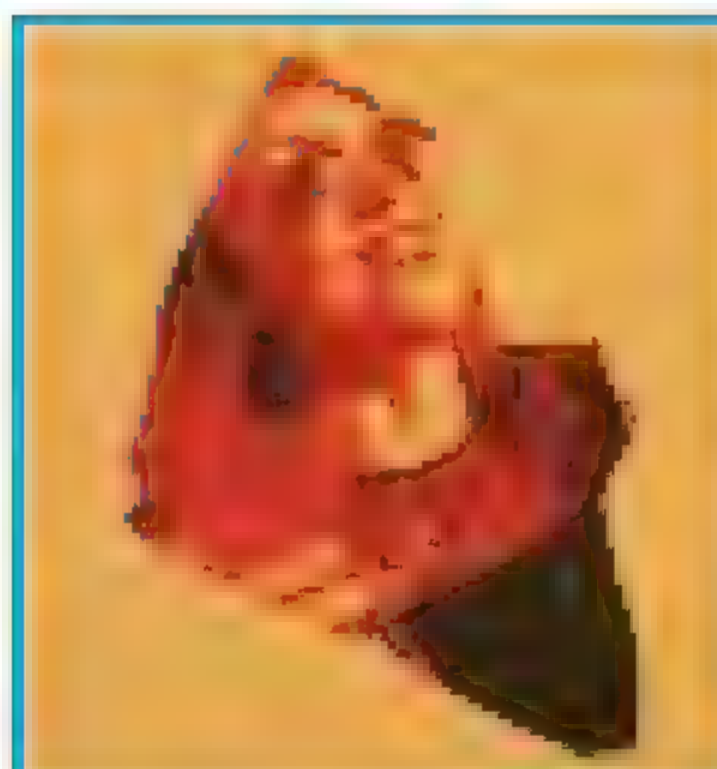
HOW TO GET TICKETS!

**BE SURE NOT TO MISS OUT!**

Tickets for all festival shows and events are available from our box office.

To get yours call 0116 456 6312 or go to [www.comedy-festival.co.uk](http://www.comedy-festival.co.uk)





### KAMOLA'S COMEDY (THREE QUARTER) HOUR

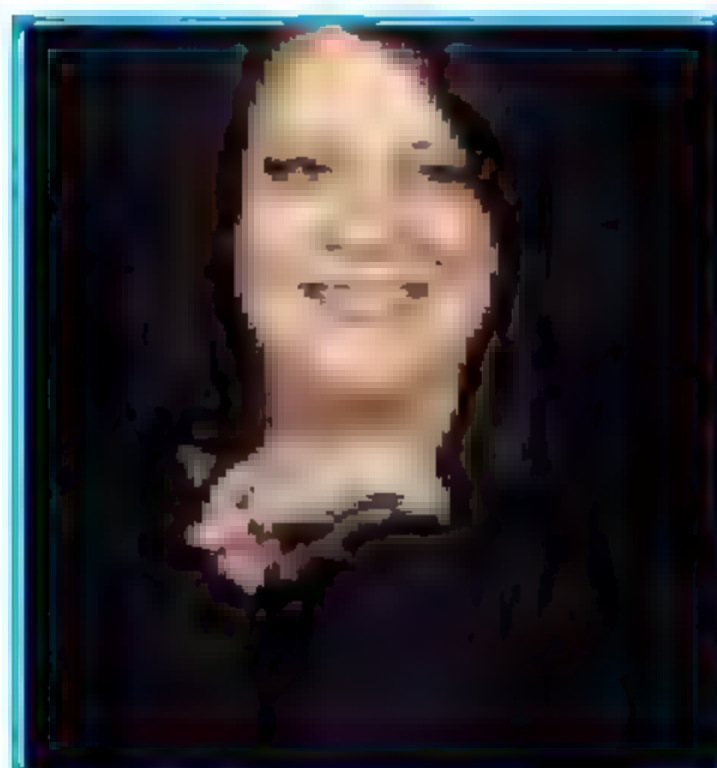
**WORLD PREMIERE**


Katie Kamola's debut solo (three quarters of an) hour, featuring rants on alternative milks, alternative men and her own alternative lifestyle as a retired line cook. Katie is a host of her own show 'Freaky Fridays' in London and performs regularly at the city's best clubs such as Backyard Comedy. She is the Producer and MC of the sold out Edinburgh show 'Katie Kamola's Comedy Compilation.' 'One to watch.' - Sam Rhodes TV

**STAND UP, SOLO SHOW**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 18:00 (18:45)

**Venue:** The Globe Map Ref: 50

**Entry:** £5 (£3.50)


A Rush of Laughter presents

### KAREN BAYLEY: BAYLEY'S COMIC (WORK IN PROGRESS)

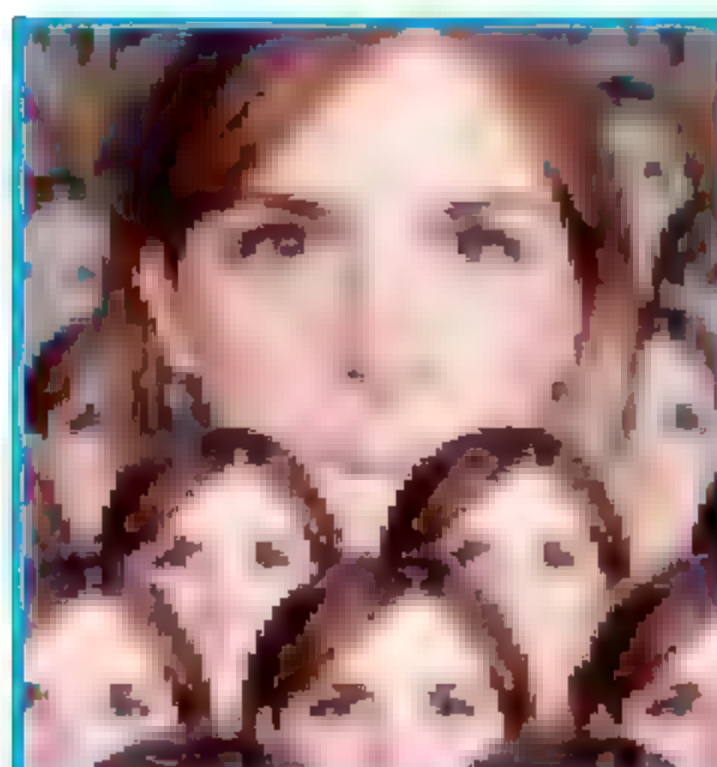


To be or not be... a Karen. Karen tries to break the myth of being a Karen, or is she becoming one? New work-in-progress show by Karen Bayley (BBC Radio 5, Channel 4).

<https://arushoflaughter.co.uk/karen-bayley>
**STAND UP**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 18:00 (19:00)

**Venue:** Black Horse Map Ref: 9

**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want


### KAT BOND: PLEASER (WORK IN PROGRESS)



'Do you like me? Suppose it's too early to say'. Fresh new stand-up from comedy dreamer and obsessive people pleaser Kat Bond. Funny Women Comedy Writing Award Winner (what a mouthful) and one of life's fighters brings you a fantastic work in progress show called 'Pleaser'. Stand-up, storytelling and clowning combine as Kat attempts to stop PLEASING and START LIVING.

[www.kathrynbond.co.uk](http://www.kathrynbond.co.uk)
**STAND UP, CHARACTER**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 14:00 (14:50)

**Venue:** Firebug Map Ref: TBC

**Entry:** £5 advance or Pay What You Want


Late Stage Comedy &amp; NCF presents

### KAT OF ALL TRADES

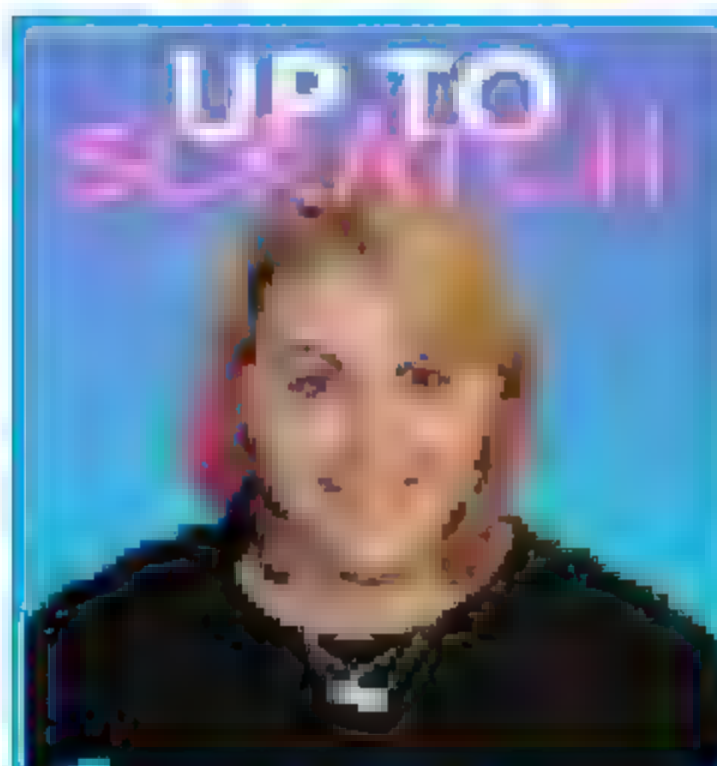


"Kat of all trades...master of pun" is a musical comedy and stand-up tale of Cosmic Kat's employment history. From showbiz journalist and teacher to psychic medium she's done a multitude of jobs and has the funny stories and ukulele songs to prove it.

[cosmickatmusic.com](http://cosmickatmusic.com)
**MUSICAL, STAND UP**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 20:00 (21:00)

**Venue:** Kayal Map Ref: 28

**Entry:** £5 advance or Pay What You Want


The Queer Comedy Club presents

### KATE DALE: UP TO SCRATCH

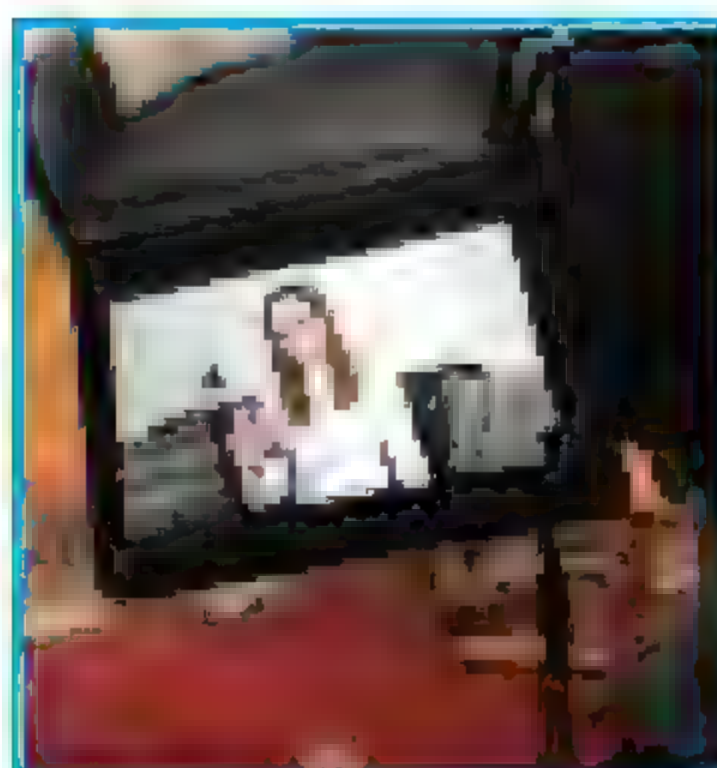
**REGIONAL PREMIERE**


Bisexual comedian Kate Dale fingers her way through middle life as she navigates the challenges and finds the joy in being a beginner once more, while discovering, after a lifetime of tardiness, that it's better to arrive late than not at all.

**STAND UP**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 21:00 (22:00) & 19:30 (20:30)

**Venue:** The Globe Map Ref: 50

**Entry:** £7


### KATIE DAVISON: HOW ARE YOU? WITH GRACIE CANOUX

**WORLD PREMIERE**


I'm Gracie Canoux, debut documentary filmmaker and pundit. It's been a tough few years of late - a bit of a ruddy struggle.

Join me as I don a turtleneck, pick up my camera and travel the length and breadth of Great Britain to ask the age-old - and actually rather profound - question, how are you? Debut character comedy from Katie Davison. As seen on BBC Three, heard on BBC Radio Essex. Shortlisted for Best Mockumentary at LA Indie X Festival.

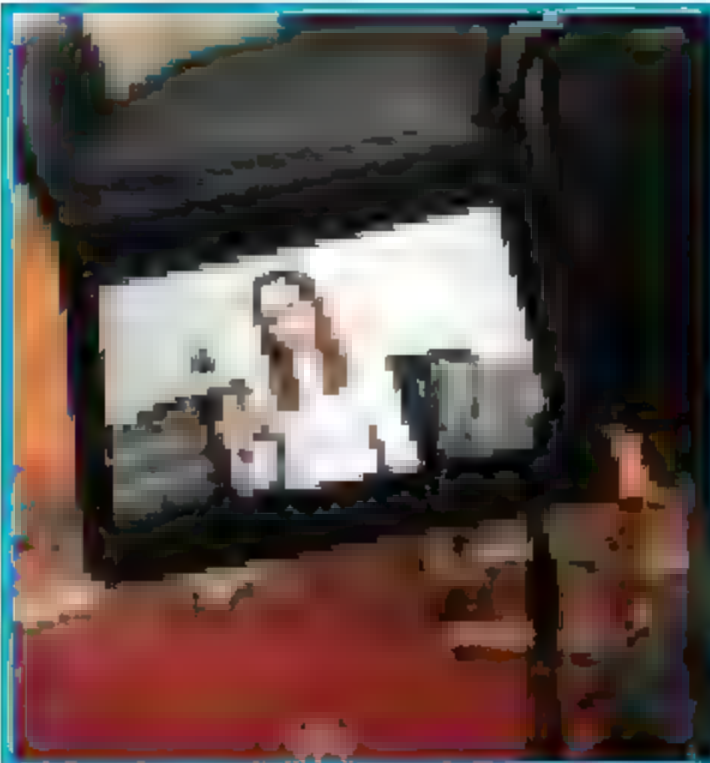
<http://katedavison.com/>
**CHARACTER, SOLO SHOW**
**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

**Time:** 20:50 (21:50)

**Venue:** Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23

**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want





**KATIE DAVISON: HOW ARE YOU? WITH GRACIE CANOUX**

WORLD PREMIERE

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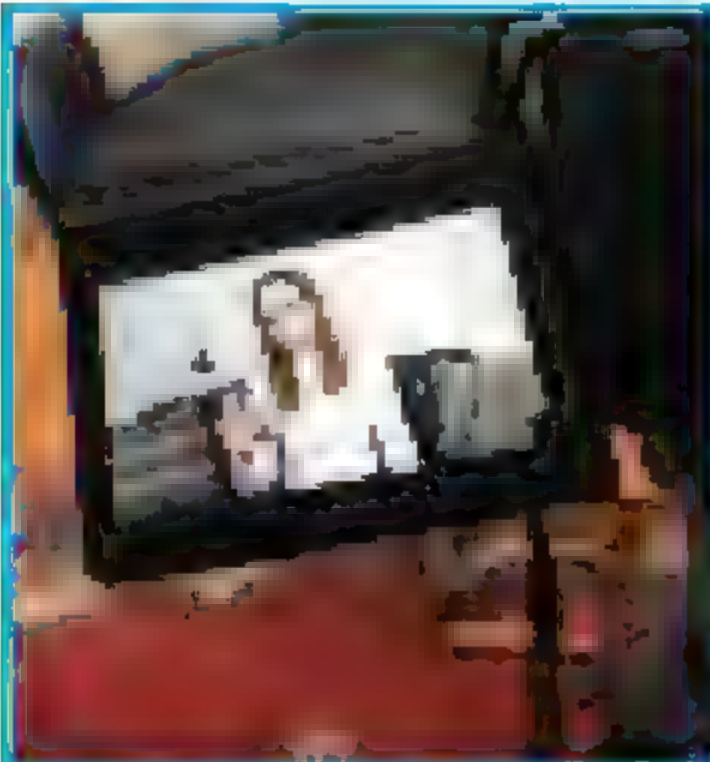
CHARACTER, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61

Entry: £8 (£6) or Pay What You Want



Furthest from the Sea presents

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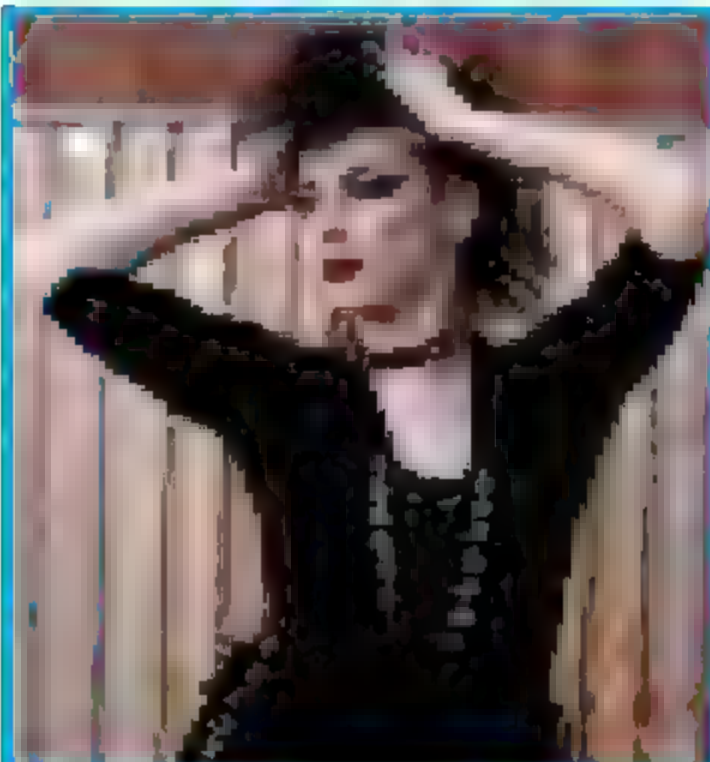
CHARACTER, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: £6 or Pay What You Want



Ingenious Fools

**KATIE MITCHELL: WRETCHED (WIP)**

18

A chalice. A rat. A transformation. A castle at night and the echo of blim. A love story. In the darkness we yearn. We yearn for a stand-up comedy show. Not just a stand-up comedy show, but a WIP stand-up comedy show. This it be. Beware. "One of my favourites" Andrew O'Neill, "Katie Mitchell is an example of everything comedy should be" Mark Dean Quinn, "The face of modern alternative comedy" Blizzard Comedy, East Midlands Awards Rising Star 2019

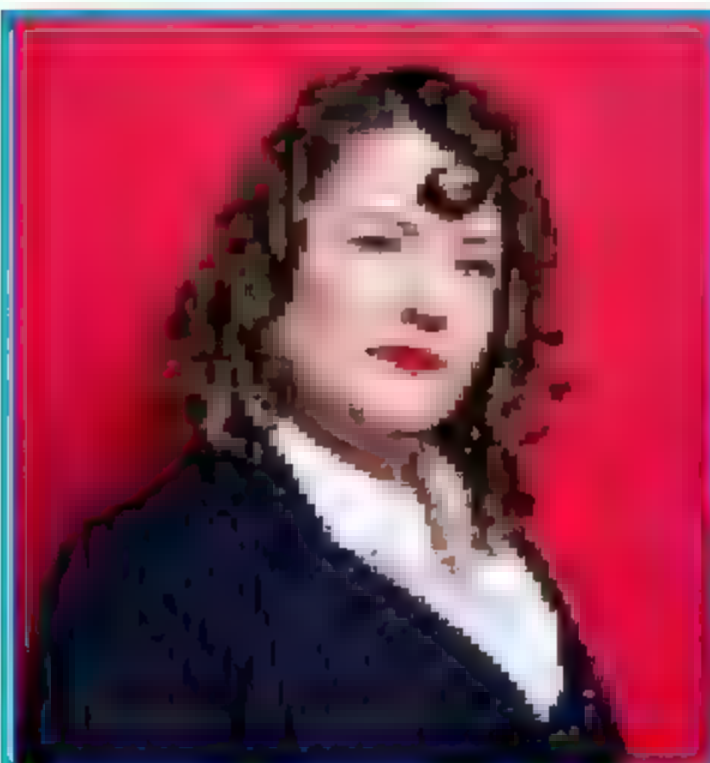
STAND UP, HORROR

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Corrie McGuire Management and Jokes on Us Present

**KATIE PRITCHARD IS: THE ESTATE AGENT**

18

(WIP) Ever gone through the Battle-Royale-esque rigmarole of moving house? Ever experienced the bloodcurdlingly loud clip-clopping of an estate agent's shoes? Ever wanted to know how to be a hell-bound-house-hound? Get a peek behind the curtain of the cursed in this brand new work in progress Musical Comedy Horror show by Katie Pritchard. "Katie Pritchard is a one woman comedy music powerhouse." \*\*\*\*\* (VoiceMag). WINNER Musical Comedy Awards.

[www.katiepritchard.co.uk](http://www.katiepritchard.co.uk)

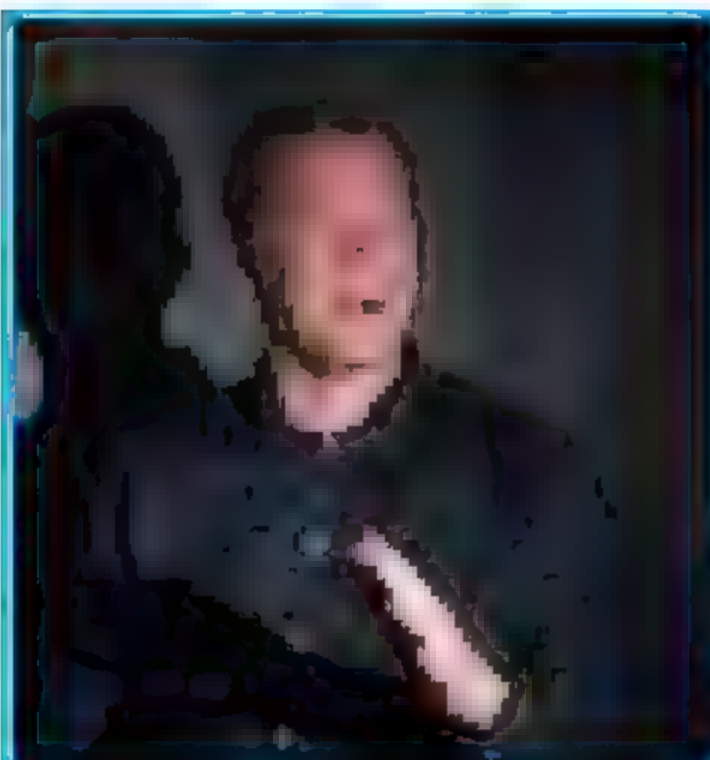
MUSICAL, HORROR

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:50 (18:50)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us Presents

**KEVIN DANIEL - FREEDOM**

WORLD PREMIERE

18

Jokes On Us are delighted to bring you the fantastic Kevin Daniel. Kevin started performing comedy in 2019 after seeing a flyer at that years Leicester Comedy festival advertising a stand-up comedy course. Now with over 250 gigs under his belt he has quickly gained a reputation as one of the "rising stars of the Midlands comedy scene". FREEDOM is 45 minutes of masterful storytelling and joke filled comedy. Grab a PWYW ticket while you still can

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:45 (20:45)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



**KEVIN HUDSON - LOYALTY CARD 3: RISE OF THE ACCOUNTANTS**

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The sequel to his 2022 sell-out show Loyalty Card, #LoyaltyCard3 sees Kevin Hudson back telling tales. Have you ever wanted to see a show that was much better than you expected? One audience member\* remarked about Loyalty Card 'Well, that was much better than I expected.' Trust him. 'Leicester's favourite poet-comedian-accountant' (Leicester Mercury) returns to tell stories of loyalty, cards, and why the world is full of accountants. \*No idea who

STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want





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STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 16:45 (17:45)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



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STORYTELLING

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Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61

Entry: £6 (£5) or Pay What You Want



Barnstormers Comedy in association with NCF & Late Stage Comedy presents

### KEVIN PRECIOUS: THE RELUCTANT TEACHER (WORK IN PROGRESS)

Kevin Precious used to be a teacher. He enjoyed the teaching part. He just didn't enjoy all of the other stuff that went with it. So he decided to leave and get his life back. Join him as he explores the foibles of his former profession including the odd pedagogical swipe - phew! - in the process. 'Instantly recognisable stage presence and boundless wit' - Leicester Mercury

[www.kevinprecious.co.uk](http://www.kevinprecious.co.uk)

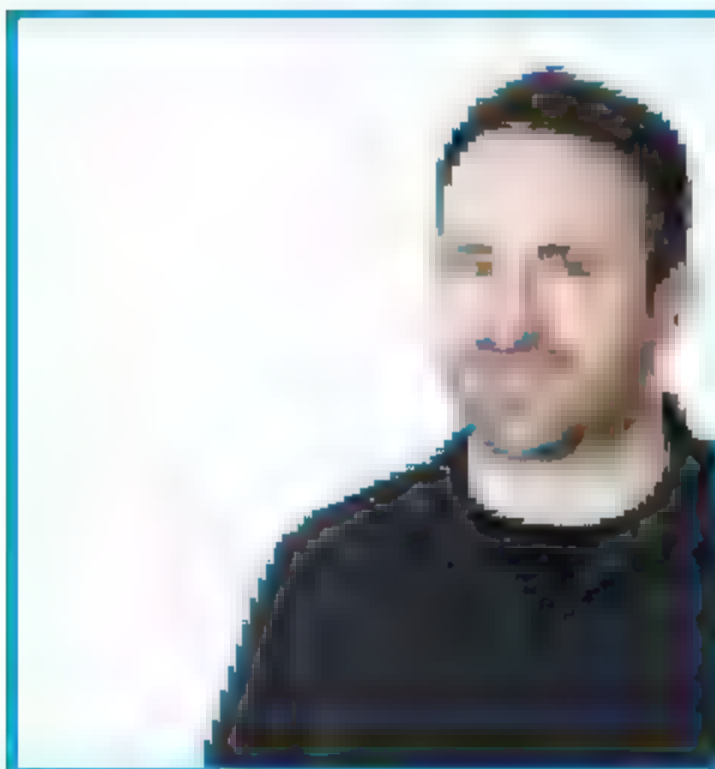
STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:00 (18:00)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



NCF & Late Stage Comedy present

### KIERAN LAWLESS: RESOLUTION

Kieran Lawless is an Irish comedian. He has performed across Ireland, the UK & Europe. Hilarious self-deprecating hour by a man desperately trying to be less self-deprecating. Television credits include: Irish New Comedy Awards, The Takeover and RED TV. "Exceedingly entertaining, highly energised and side splittingly funny" <http://www.northwestend.co.uk/>

STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5



### KIERANN SHAH'S ONE OFFS

Join improv disruptor Kierann Shah for her one-woman improvised stand up and sketch show, inspired by one word from the audience with no script. Awkward? Yes. Funny? Absolutely. Kierann performs regularly with Midlands groups Tiny Stories and Rhymes Against Humanity, and is the Artistic Director of the Bristol Improv Theatre.

IMPROV, SOLD SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61

Entry: £8



Blue Book Artist Management present

### KUAN-WEN: ILHA FORMOSA (WORK IN PROGRESS)

"Taiwanese force of nature" (Chortle) Kuan-wen traded his beloved island for the rainy British isles, for "Taiwanese" symbolises generations of migration and shifting identities. Kuan-wen as heard and seen on BBC Three, BBC Radio 4 and Comedy Central UK. The WIP show, also featured in last year's programme, has been significantly re-written in light of the Russian invasion of Ukraine in February 2022.

[www.kuanwenhuang.com](http://www.kuanwenhuang.com)

SOLD SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 14:00 (15:00)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £5



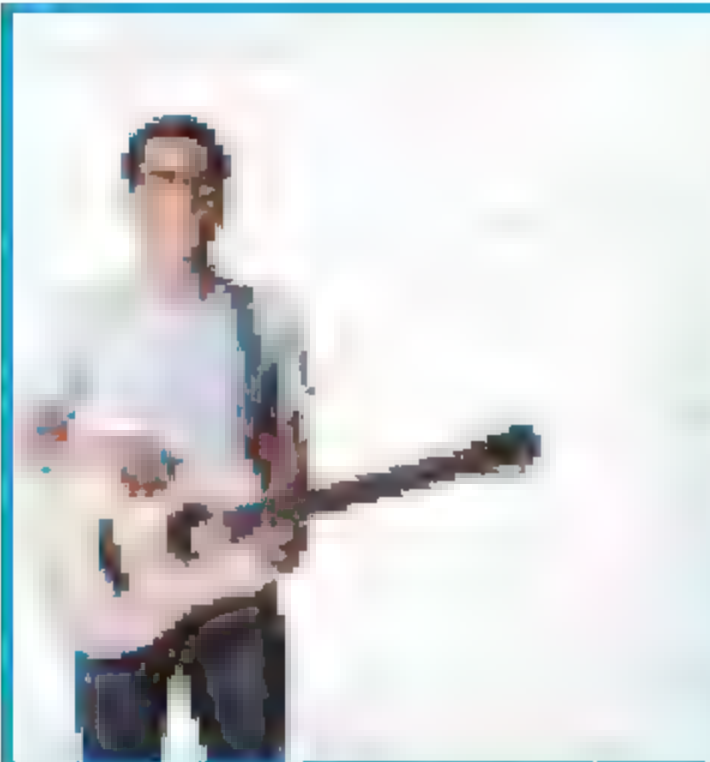


Blue Book Artist Management present

**KWAME ASANTE: IN STITCHES**  
Fresh from his third solo show at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, A&E doctor and award-winning stand up comedian Kwame Asante presents the best of his material on life inside and outside hospital. Expect intelligent and hilarious tales about Kwame's London childhood and Birmingham adulthood, plus musings on his newly married life! Be you a friend, family, comedy fan or patient, he's guaranteed to have someone in stitches!  
[www.kwamedy.com](http://www.kwamedy.com)

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 17:00 (18:00)
Venue: Kayal	Map Ref: 28																			Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Kyle D Evans presents

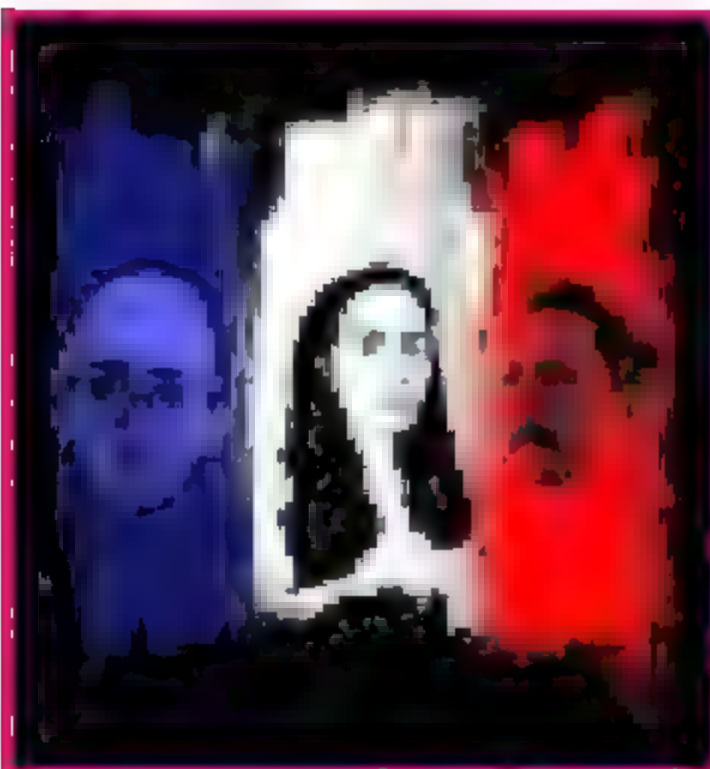
**KYLE D EVANS: SUM AS YOU ARE**  
The UK's leading (only) musical-comedian-mathematician returns with a compilation of his most pedantic pop musings. A regular guest on BBC Radio 4's flagship numbers show 'More or Less', Kyle will over-analyse your favourite songs to the point of absurdity, as well as performing his own ridiculous maths-folk creations. 'Kyle's great - be there!' - Tim Harford.  
[www.kyledevans.com](http://www.kyledevans.com)

MUSICAL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 15:30 (16:30)
Venue: The Big Difference	Map Ref: 45																			Entry: £5

There are loads of fun shows and events for children at our UK Kids Comedy Festival!  
For info and tickets visit: [www.UKKidsComedyFestival.co.uk](http://www.UKKidsComedyFestival.co.uk)

Follow us on Twitter  
[@KidsComedyFest](https://twitter.com/KidsComedyFest)



NCF & Late Stage Comedy present

**LAME MISERABLES**  
Three thirty-something Midlands comics reflect on the cost of living... through their twenties. Watch Dave Flynn, Robyn Harvey and Lin Smith as they consider their failed attempts at self-improvement and successful attempts at self-destruction, then face the grim possibility that it may be too late to fix either. Definitely not a musical. Vive la destitution.

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 22:00 (23:00)
Venue: Kayal	Map Ref: 28																			Entry: £5



Grays and LCB Depot present

**LAST FRIDAY @ LEICESTER COMEDY FESTIVAL**  
Visit LCB Depot for a famous night of Street Food, Art, Music, and of course Comedy is back for Leicester Comedy Festival. Delicious food, immaculate vibes, and great art at Leicester's Cultural Quarter hub. Comedians and food traders TBC. LCF special - £5 ticket allows entry for 3-8 people!  
Follow us @lastfridaylcb.  
[lcbdepot.co.uk](http://lcbdepot.co.uk)

EVENT, FAMILY

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 17:00 (22:00)
Venue: LCB Depot	Map Ref: 32																			Entry: £5 (Entry for a group of 3-8)



Jokes on Us Present

**LATE NIGHT JOKES ON US**  
Join compere Alex Hylton as he presents a selection of some of the finest acts of the Festival in this late night, no-holds-bar, 'anything can happen' showcase at Manhattan34. Leave your inhibitions at the door and find us downstairs. How much is it for this late night delight? It's Pay What You Want. That's right. The Jokes' on Us.

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time: 23:30 (00:30)
Venue: Manhattan 34	Map Ref: 35																			Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want





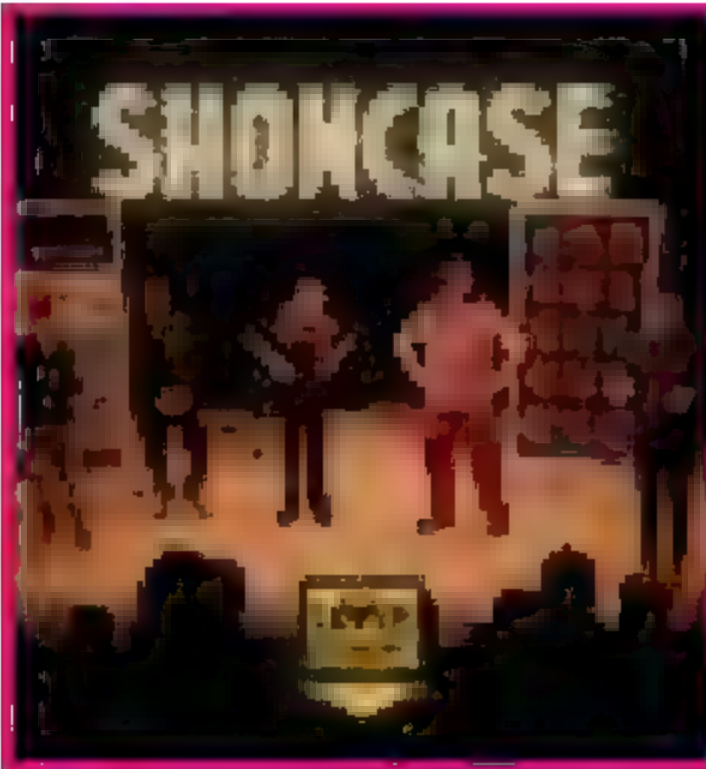
Big Difference in partnership with Curve present

**LAUGH ACADEMY SHOWCASE (11-14)**

Join us for the culmination of Laugh Academy! A showcase of young talent as participants from the programme take to the stage and perform comedy, some of them, for the very first time. These 11-14-year-olds have been working all week with professional comedians to learn the tricks of the trade. Come and spot the stars of the future.

[ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)

MIXED BILL, CHILDREN'S

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 18:00 (19:00)**Venue:** Curve Map Ref: 12**Entry:** £5

Big Difference in partnership with Curve present

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**Time:** 19:30 (20:30)**Venue:** Curve Map Ref: 12**Entry:** £5

Big Difference present

**LAUGH ACADEMY: HALF-TERM COMEDY SCHOOL (11-14)**

Formerly Laugh Term, our dedicated half-term school for aspiring stand-ups is back for 2023! This specially designed course will give you the chance to learn tips and tricks of the trade from real life comedians. Plus, you get to perform at the Laugh Academy Showcase on the final day of the course. No experience necessary. Places are very limited, so participants get maximum support. Age 11-14, please see alternative listing for 15-18 workshops.

<https://ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk/laugh-term-comedy-school/>

CHILDREN'S

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 9:30 (12:00)**Venue:** Curve Map Ref: 12**Entry:** £25 for the week

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**Time:** 13:00 (15:30)**Venue:** Curve Map Ref: 12**Entry:** £25 for the week

Laughter Craft Comedy

**LAUGHTER LOFT**

Best Small Venue Leicester Comedy Festival 2017, 2019, 2020 and 2021 returns with it's incredible Laughter Loft shows. Every show has four of the best comedians from the UK Comedy Circuit (You'll even have seen some of them on your TV) performing in the best pub in Leicester is a recipe for success and that's why these shows sell out.

<https://www.blackhorseaylestone.co.uk/>

MIXED BILL

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 20:00 (22:00)**Venue:** Black Horse Map Ref: 9**Entry:** £12

Laughter Craft Comedy

**LAUGHTER LOFT GONG SHOW**

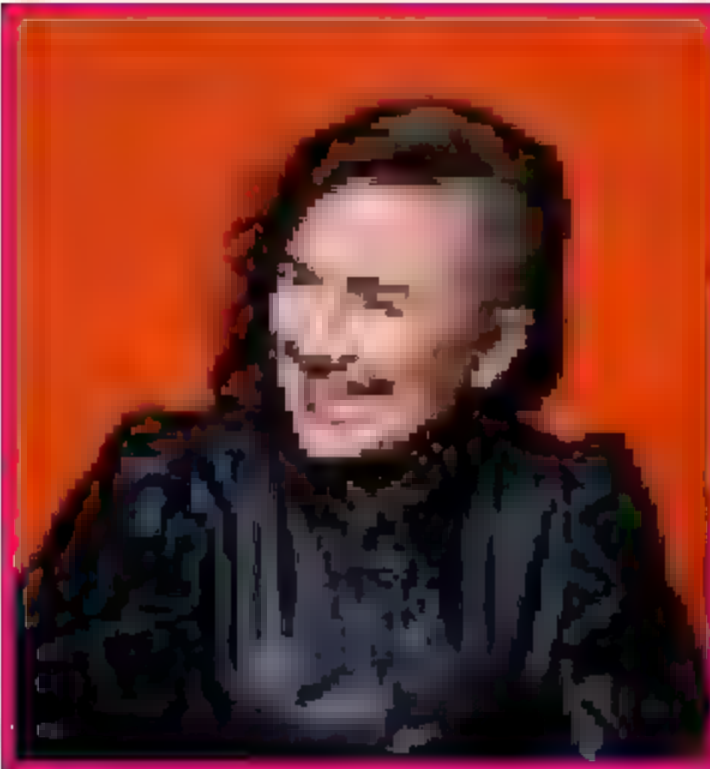
The award winning Laughter Loft brings you it's first ever Gong Show! 10 acts go up against each other to try and win the prize! If the audience aren't impressed then they will be Gonged off! Who wins? You decide

<https://www.blackhorseaylestone.co.uk/>

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 19:30 (21:30)**Venue:** Black Horse Map Ref: 9**Entry:** £7





UTC present

LAURA LEXX: (MOTHER) FIGURE [WIP]

It's 5 years since Laura Lexx's critically acclaimed show 'Trying', her searingly honest, achingly funny experience of depression and trying for a baby. Since then she's written another hit show, published 2 books, conquered TV comedy, created 2 hit podcasts, oh, and gained 0 babies. (Unless you count the dog, which no one does).

<https://lauralex.co.uk/>

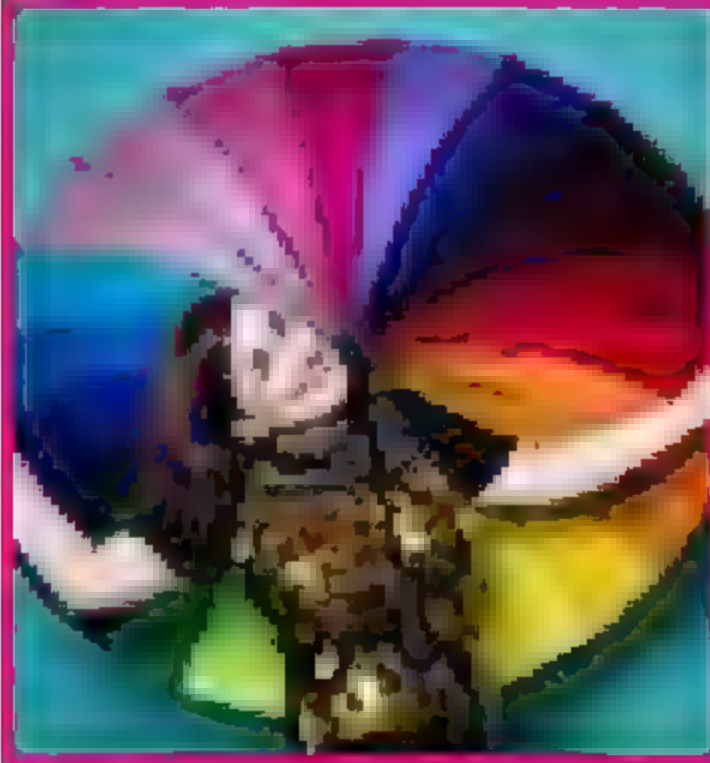
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 24th & 26th 18:00 | 25th 16:30 (1hr)

Venue: Black Horse Map Ref: 9

Entry: £8



Big Difference present

LAURA LEXX: PIVOT (READING/SIGNING)

Join comedian and author of "Klopp Actually" Laura Lexx for an intimate reading of her debut novel "Pivot". This reading will feature a Q&A and signing. "A heart-warming, joyous and assured debut novel about friendship that put me in mind of Kay Mellor at her funniest" Richard Herring

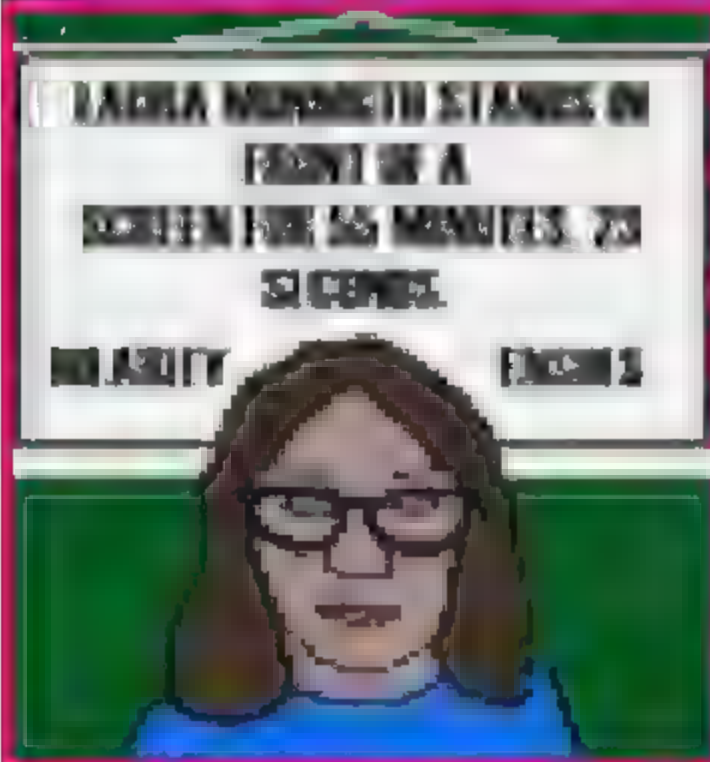
STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 15:00 (16:00)

Venue: Fox Books Map Ref: 21

Entry: FREE



Jokes On Us Present

LAURA MONMOTH STANDS IN FRONT OF A SCREEN FOR 55 MINUTES 23 SECONDS. HILARITY ENSUES.

Laura Monmoth returns to Leicester Comedy Festival with a brand new show. There will probably be highly relevant references to 90s popular culture, with a smidge of karaoke. Oh, and she now has puppets. 55 minutes and 23 seconds of PowerPoint nonsense. from the Leicester Comedy Festival 2018 best new show nominee, 2018 Birmingham Comedy Festival Breaking Talent Award winner.

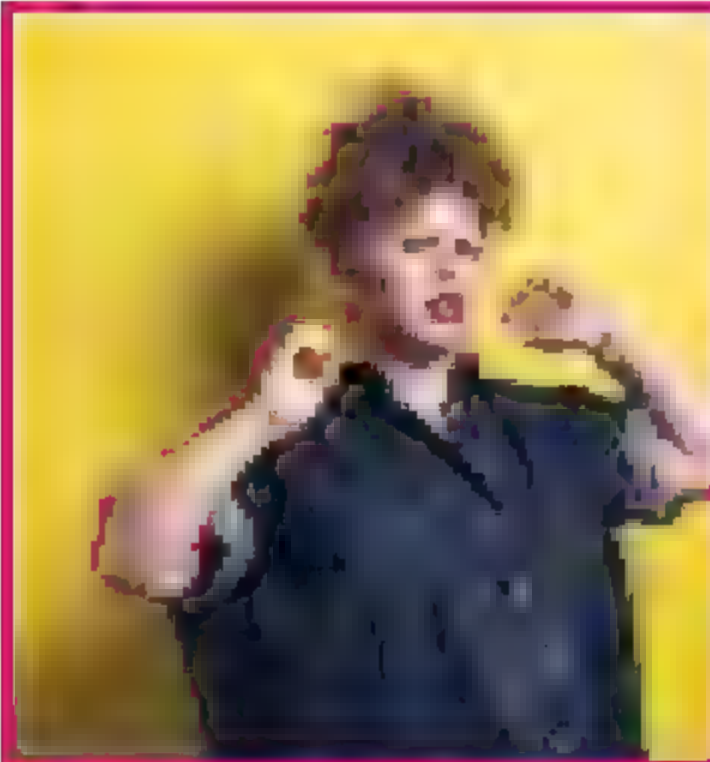
ALTERNATIVE, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:15 (22:15)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



United Agents present

LAURA SMYTH: WORK IN PROGRESS

Star of Live at the Apollo Laura Smyth brings her new work in progress show to Leicester Comedy Festival. As seen on Jonathan Ross' Comedy Club (ITV), Yesterday, Today and the Day Before (Comedy Central UK), As Yet Untitled (Dave). Funny Women Award Winner 2019. "A force of nature." Chortle. "Sounds like she has been doing it all her life." Bruce Dessau. "Yes babe, you tell me what to say and then you can use it as quote." Jayde Adams.

[twitter.com/thatlaurasmyth](https://twitter.com/thatlaurasmyth)

SOLD SHOW, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Big Difference Company & Peril Design present

LEICESTER COMEDY FESTIVAL 30TH ANNIVERSARY EXHIBITION

A unique opportunity to browse items from Leicester Comedy Festival's 30-year archive, including brochures, press, photos (inc. some of Andy Hollingworth's legendary collection), and gig posters (including a special selection of Peril Design posters from the past decade). Full exhibition in the Lower Gallery, more to view in the Café. Open 8:30-8:30 Mon-Thu, 8.30-4.30 Fri + half term, plus late entry Fri-Sun for Just The Tonic ticket-holders.

[www.comedy-festival.co.uk](http://www.comedy-festival.co.uk)

WORLD PREMIERE

EVENT, EXHIBITION

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: Various opening time - see website listing

Venue: The Old Library Cafe & Galleries Map Ref: 56

Entry: FREE



Big Difference & Leicester Comedy Festival present

LEICESTER MERCURY COMEDIAN OF THE YEAR COMPETITION 2023

Now in its 29th year, the stellar list of past winners include Josh Widdicombe, Johnny Vegas, Jason Manford, Seann Walsh and Rhod Gilbert. Join us as we present this year's finest up and coming acts, nominated by top comedy promoters from across the UK. A serious comedy competition, headlined by 2022 winner Firuz Ozari, hosted by the fabulous Sikisa (As seen and heard on Jonathan Ross' Comedy Club (ITV), The Stand Up Sketch Show (ITV2))

MIXED BILL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (22:00)

Venue: The Y Theatre Map Ref: 88

Entry: £18 (£16)





Phoenix Cinema &amp; Art Centre

**LEICESTER'S FAVOURITE COMEDY FILM - 1ST PLACE**

As voted for by the people of Leicester, join us for the reveal of Leicester's Favourite Comedy Films of the last 30 years! Each Friday of the fest we'll be counting down the top three films, ending with number one tonight. A twist on our Mystery Film night, only this time it's up to you! Voting is taking place on our social media channels and will close on 31st January 2023.

<https://phoenix.org.uk>


FILM

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 18:00 (20:15)**Venue:** Phoenix Map Ref: 39**Entry:** £4**LEICESTER'S FAVOURITE COMEDY FILM - 2ND PLACE**

As voted for by the people of Leicester, join us for the reveal of Leicester's Favourite Comedy Films of the last 30 years! Each Friday of the fest we'll be counting down the top three films, and tonight we unveil our 2nd place. A twist on our Mystery Film night, only this time it's up to you! Voting is taking place on our social media channels and will close on 31st January 2023.

<https://phoenix.org.uk>


FILM

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 18:00 (20:15)**Venue:** Phoenix Map Ref: 39**Entry:** £4

Phoenix Cinema &amp; Arts Centre

**LEICESTER'S FAVOURITE COMEDY FILM - 3RD PLACE**

As voted for by the people of Leicester, join us for the reveal of Leicester's Favourite Comedy Films of the last 30 years! Each Friday of the fest we'll be counting down the top three films, starting with 3rd place. A twist on our Mystery Film night, only this time it's up to you! Voting is taking place on our social media channels and will close on 31st January 2023.

<https://phoenix.org.uk>


FILM

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Jokes on Us Present

**LET'S GET FRIZ FRIZZLE (TO THE TUNE OF "LET'S GET PHYSICAL")**

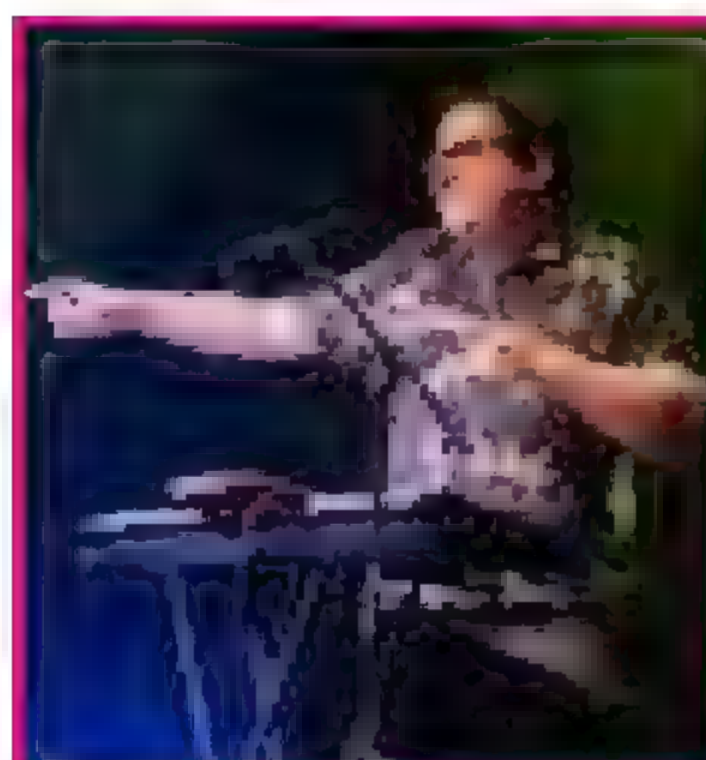
Friz Frizzle is going to ruin your favourite songs, tell you about an owl and discuss gender identity. It's better than it sounds. "A master of musical comedy" - Comedy Central. Winner of the 2020 Leicester Comedy Festival Award for Best Musical Show

<http://frizfrizzle.com>

REGIONAL PREMIERE



MUSICAL, STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 21:00 (22:00)**Venue:** Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want

Jokes on Us Present

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<http://frizfrizzle.com>

REGIONAL PREMIERE



MUSICAL, STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 22:00 (23:00)**Venue:** Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want

Brett Vincent for GetComedy proudly presents

**LIAM WITHNAIL: INFINITE GROOVE (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

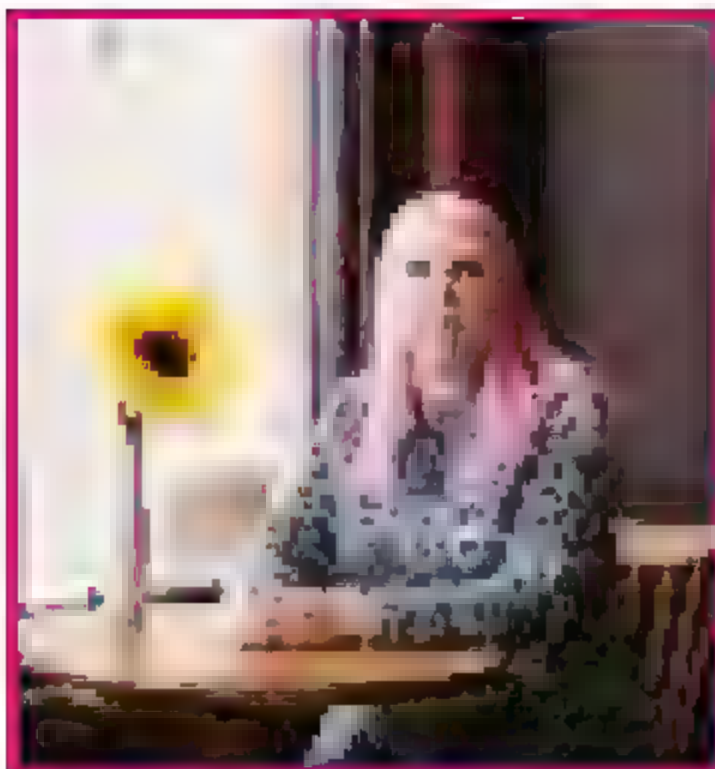
Over 10 million views on TikTok and Instagram! New show from the award-winning smash hit comic. Winner of Amused Moose's Outstanding Show Award, Edinburgh Fringe 2019. Scottish Comedy Award winner and multi-nominee. 'An hour of consistently hysterical comedy.' \*\*\*\*\* (TheWeeReview.com). 'A hot ticket this year. He has a natural talent for Comedy. One of the most complete and affirming shows I've seen' \*\*\*\*\* (EdFestMag.com).

<https://www.getcomedy.com/liam-withnail>


STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 16:00 (17:00)**Venue:** PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38**Entry:** £7.50 (£6)





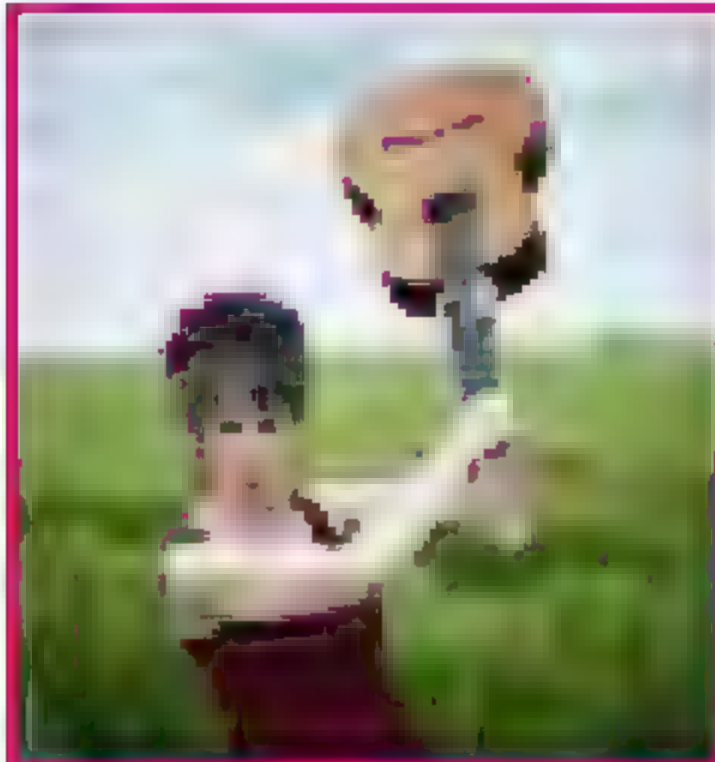
Off The Kerb Productions present

**LINDSEY SANTORO: STINKY POTATO (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

Comparing herself to a potato (that stinks), come and join Lindsey Santoro as she recounts tales of idiocy for your amusement in her own daft and bawdy way. According to Lindsey's Mom "Surely no one can be offended by a potato?" As seen on Comedy Central Live & Channel 4; 2022 Tour support for Joe Lycett and Russell Kane.

STAND UP

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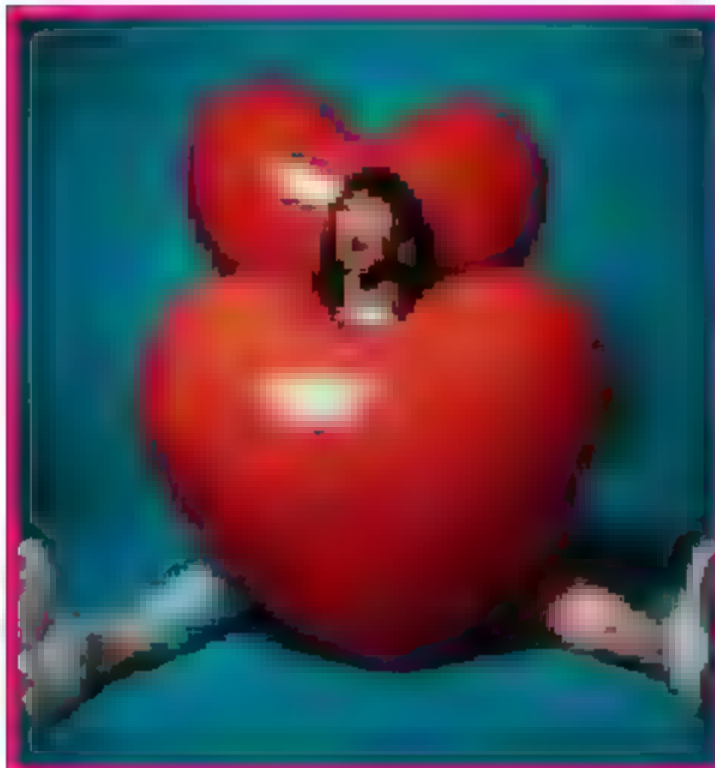
**LIZ COTTON: LAST STAND ON HONEY HILL**

With her marriage on the rocks and children leaving home, Liz Cotton writes saucy songs to help her cope with life, but when a billion-pound private water company reveals its plans to build a sewage plant next door can Liz and two small villages in the Fens harness the power of song to save their community - and her future? \*\*\*\* 'Liz Cotton may have given me my Fringe experience of 2022.' Kate Copstick, The Scotsman

www.lizcotton.com

MUSICAL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	15:30 (16:30)
Venue:	The Big Difference Map Ref: 45																			Entry:	£8

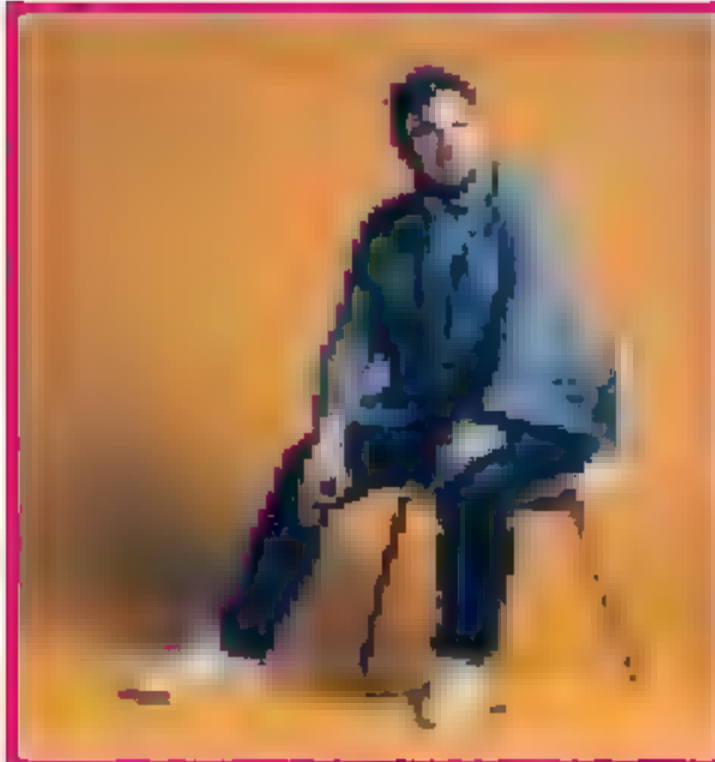


**LIZ GUTERBOCK: GERIATRIC MILLENNIAL (WIP)**

Liz Guterbock (2022 Union Jack Radio Ones to Watch, 2021 Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year nominee), presents her new work-in-progress show, Geriatric Millennial. Weaving a little California sunshine into her wry, story-driven stand-up, Liz will explore ageing (dis)gracefully and whether it's possible to stay in love with life as we get old(er). 'Punchy, slick and accomplished...A club ready act, for sure' (Chortle.co.uk)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	16th 19:30 (20:15)   17th 18:00 (18:45)
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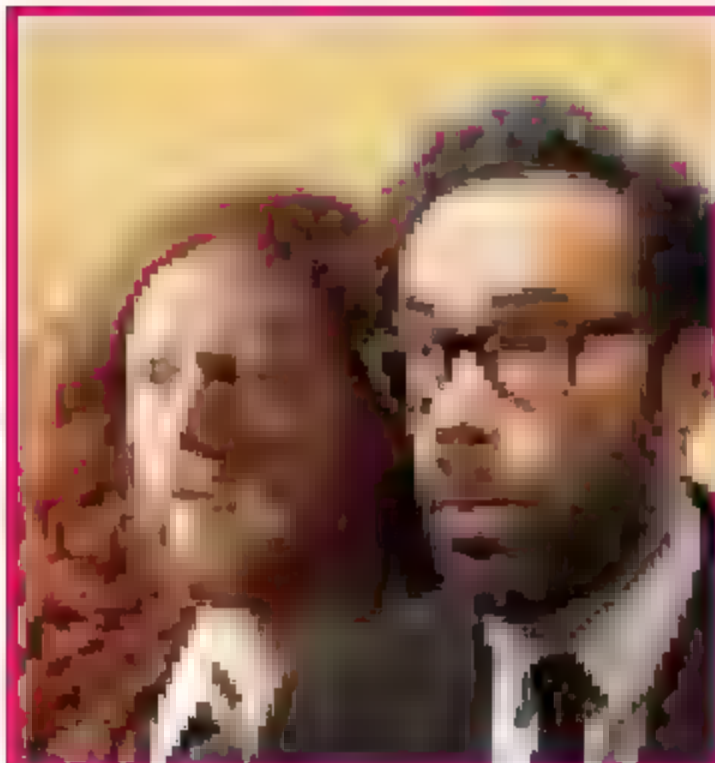
**LLOYD GRIFFITH**

Grimsby's favourite (for now, anyway) comedian/choirboy Lloyd Griffith is back on the road. You may have also seen him in on 8 Out of 10 Cats (Channel 4), Jonathan Ross' Comedy Club (ITV), Ted Lasso (Apple TV), Can You Beat The Bookies? (BBC), Soccer AM (Sky One), Flinch (Netflix), Live At The Comedy Store (Comedy Central), Roast Battle (Comedy Central), Songs of Praise (BBC2) ((lol)).

https://lloydgriffith.com/

SOLD SHOW, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:00 (22:00)
Venue:	The Y Theatre Map Ref: 59																			Entry:	£19.50



LOREMEN presents

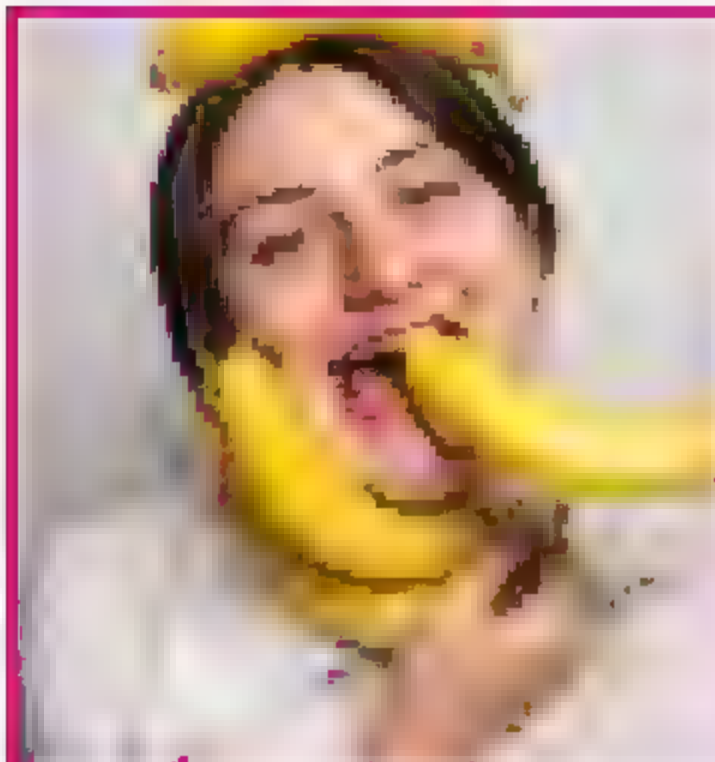
**LOREMEN LIVE**

Loremen is a podcast about local legends and obscure curiosities from days of yore. Join James Shakeshaft and Alasdair Beckett-King as we "investigate" forgotten folklore. Robin Hood? The Loch Ness Monster? Pfff! Too mainstream. Loremen is about folklore you probably haven't even heard of. Previous subjects include the Ghost Duck of Stoke, the London Monster and who could forget the Mickleton Hooter?

www.loremenpodcast.com

PODCAST

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**LORNA ROSE TREEN: SKIN PIGEON**

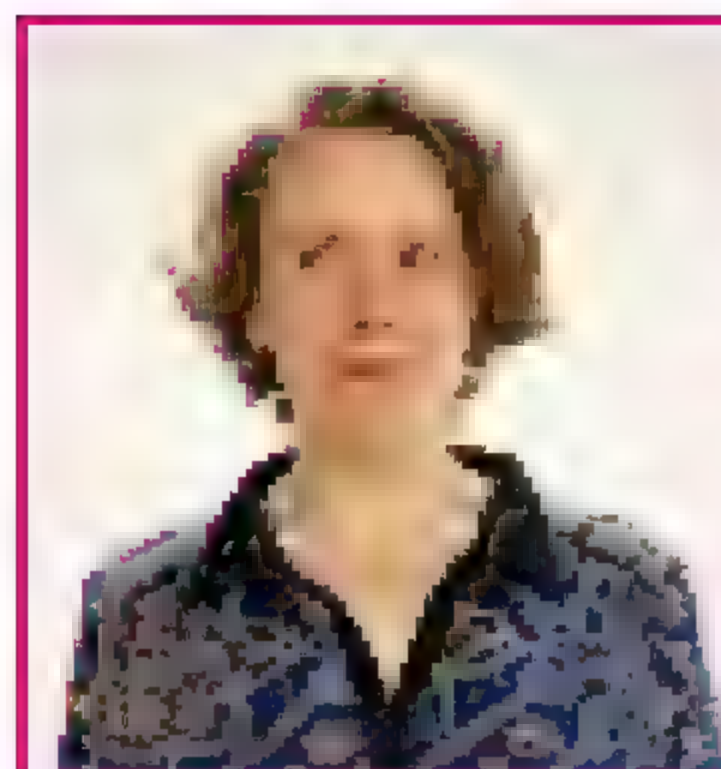
There are 400 million pigeons on the Earth. Mother pigeons feed their chicks self-made 'pigeon milk'. In a way, this show is Lorna's pigeon milk. You're welcome little babies. SKIN PIGEON is a WIP character comedy show from Funny Women Finalist 2022 Lorna Rose Treen. Expect an onslaught of tenderness and non-refundable vulnerability as Lorna rifles through the different people in her head.

www.lornarosetreen.co.uk

CHARACTER, CLOWN

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	13:00 (14:00)
Venue:	Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17																			Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want





Big Difference present

**LOUIE STOWELL: CHILDREN'S BOOK READING**

Are you a fan of Norse myths? Well, look no further - this is the event for you! Join author and Norse myth super fan Louie Stowell to hear all about her book series *Loki: A Bad God's Guide to Being Good*, and discover fun tips on comic-style drawing, acting like a god, and pranking like Loki! Packed full of humour and cool facts about Norse gods, this event will be perfect for ages 9+

[ukkidscomeyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomeyfestival.co.uk)

CHILDREN'S, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 14:00 (15:00)

Venue: Fox Books Map Ref: 21

Entry: FREE

**LOUISE ATKINSON: MATES (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

You can never complete a night out with your friends unless someone has cried over their ex, you've all made a new best friend in the toilets that you'll never see again, and you've done three laps of the bar looking for Lisa. Seriously though, where is she? Our friends are our chosen family. From the happiest times to breaking up with friends, grab a pint (of wine) and Louise will recount some of her funniest memories. Hopefully we find Lisa.

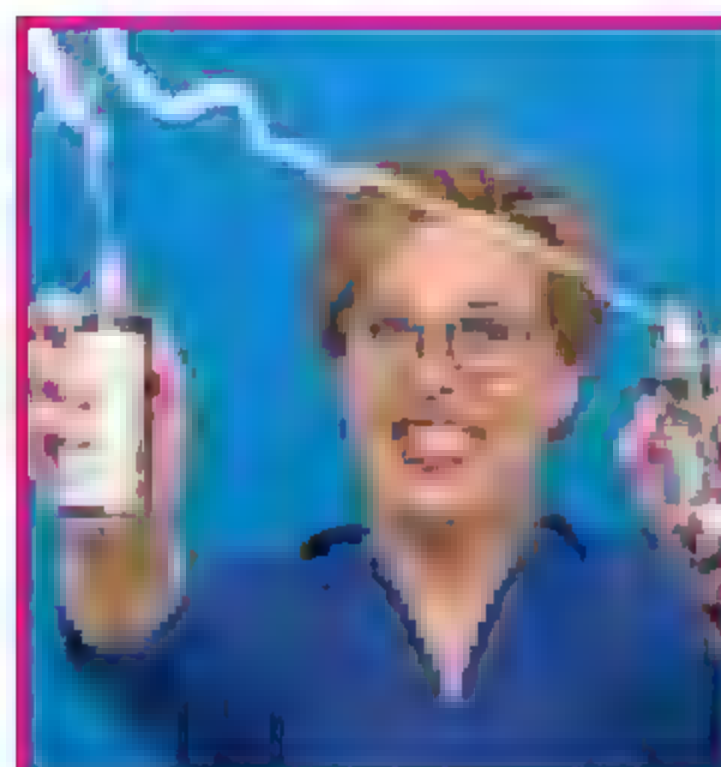
STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Time: 21:15 (22:15)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us Present

**LOUISE LEIGH: AMUSED**

Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year Finalist 2022 bringing us "a celebration about having reached a certain stage in life.... motherhood, menopause and farts" (\*\*\*\* Funny Women), "Refreshingly unselfconscious comedy" (\*\*\*\* The Wee Review). Louise Leigh is, well... imagine if Julie Andrews had a potty mouth. Like hanging out with your mum's cousin at a family party: the one who steals your cigarettes and demands a puff on that joint.

[www.funnylouiseleigh.com](http://www.funnylouiseleigh.com)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:30 (22:30)

Venue: 45 West Map Ref: 2

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Off The Kerb Productions present

**LOUISE YOUNG: FAR OUT (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

An hour of stand-up from a rising-star in the world of comedy, join Newcastle's hilarious Louise Young (Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year 2020 nominee and So You Think You're Funny finalist 2019). Tour support for Alan Carr and Jason Manford. As seen on Channel 4's Original Comedy shorts and Comedy Central Live!

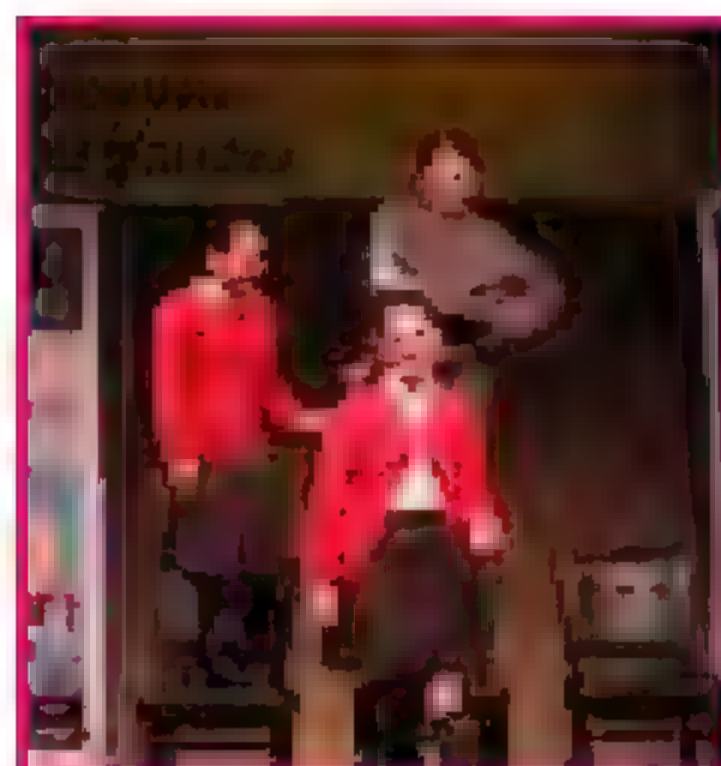
STAND UP

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Time: 18:00 (19:00)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £6



Big Difference present

**LOVING LAUGHING: FINAL**

An annual showcase of the comedic talents of primary school children from across Leicester and Leicestershire! We have been working with young people to teach them the basics of joke telling and comedy performance and the participants will take to the stage to show off what they have learnt and we will crown one school "Leicestershire's Funniest School".

[ukkidscomeyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomeyfestival.co.uk)

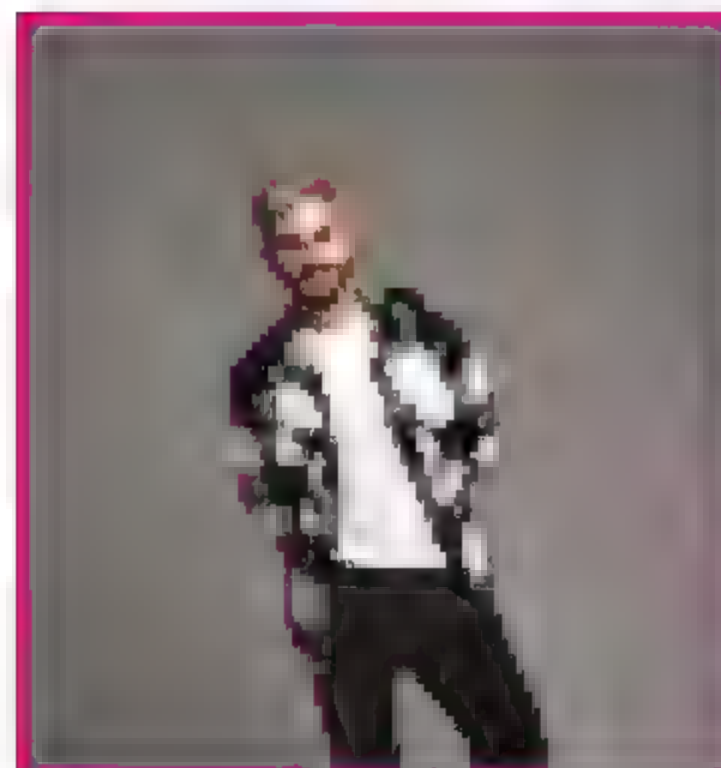
CHILDREN'S

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Time: 12:00 (15:00)

Venue: The Y Theatre Map Ref: 59

Entry: INVITE ONLY



Avalon Presents

**LUKE KEMPNER: WORK IN PROGRESS**

With over 10 million views of his online videos, Luke Kempner is one of the UK's hottest mimics and stand-up comics. Luke is a regular contributor/presenter on Steph's Packed Lunch (Channel4) and is a familiar face on TV. He has made appearances on The Last Leg (Channel4) and ITV2's Stand-Up Sketch Show and Love Island Aftersun. 'Remarkable, tour de force one-man show.' The Daily Telegraph \*\*\*\* "Gloriously Funny" Independent

[www.lukekempner.com/](http://www.lukekempner.com/)

STAND UP

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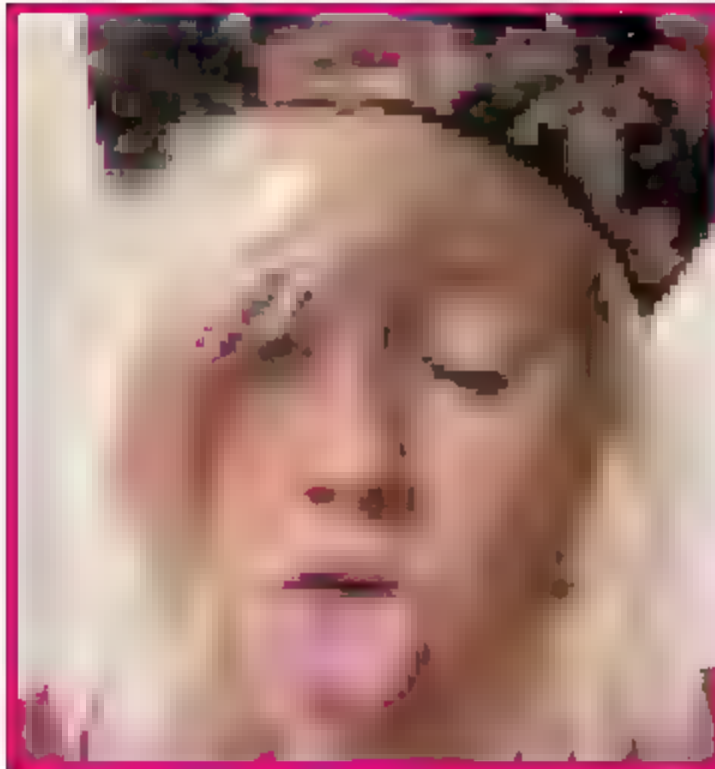
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Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want







**LULU POPPLEWELL: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Very funny comedy from a very funny gal about being a worm, a bellend and a brave hero. This is a work in progress show.

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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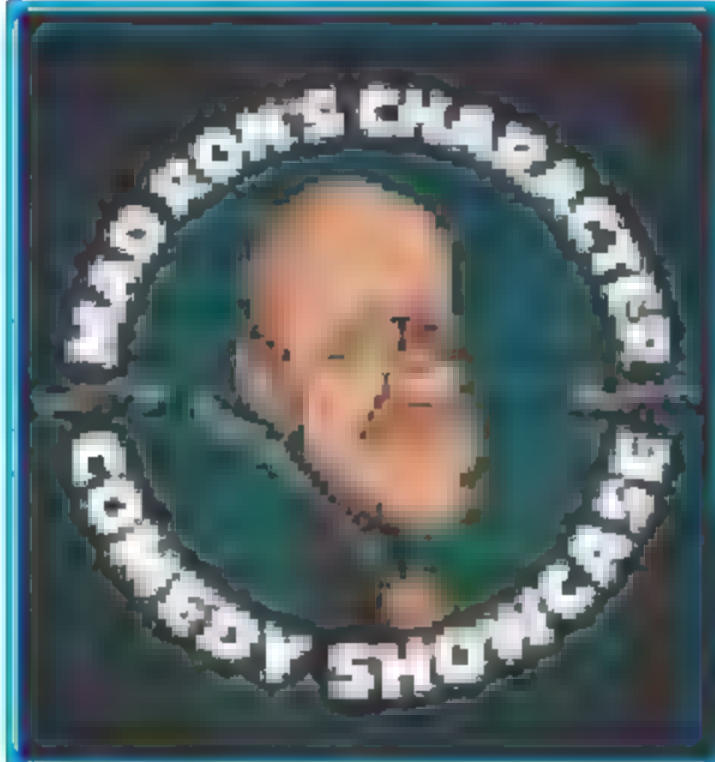
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Monster Comedy and A Rush of Laughter Present**MAD RON'S CHARACTER COMEDY SHOWCASE**

Mad Ron - Uxbridges third hardest man introduces a hand picked selection of character comedians - the show will feature short sets by some of the following Fred Ferenczi (previous winner of Leicester Comedy Festival Silver Comedian) Jerry Bakewell (Yorkshires least successful Mexican Wrestler) Kitty Cassis (Beauty therapist and Busy Body) and Roger Swift (Prop and Pun Mayhem) plus others.

CHARACTER, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:00 (20:00)
Venue:	King Richard III Map Ref: 29																			Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want



Monster Comedy and A Rush of Laughter Present**MAD RON: CRIME SCHOOL**

Stand Up Comedy from Mad Ron - the third hardest man in Uxbridge. He shares his opinions and secrets of life with a few tips and tricks thrown in. .... inventive jokes, and plenty of them.....enjoyably surreal Steve Bennett (Chortle) told a joke that made me snort so much beer through my nose that it foamed up in my sinuses and I struggled to breathe - Richard Stott  
[www.madroncomedy.com](http://www.madroncomedy.com)

STAND UP, CHARACTER

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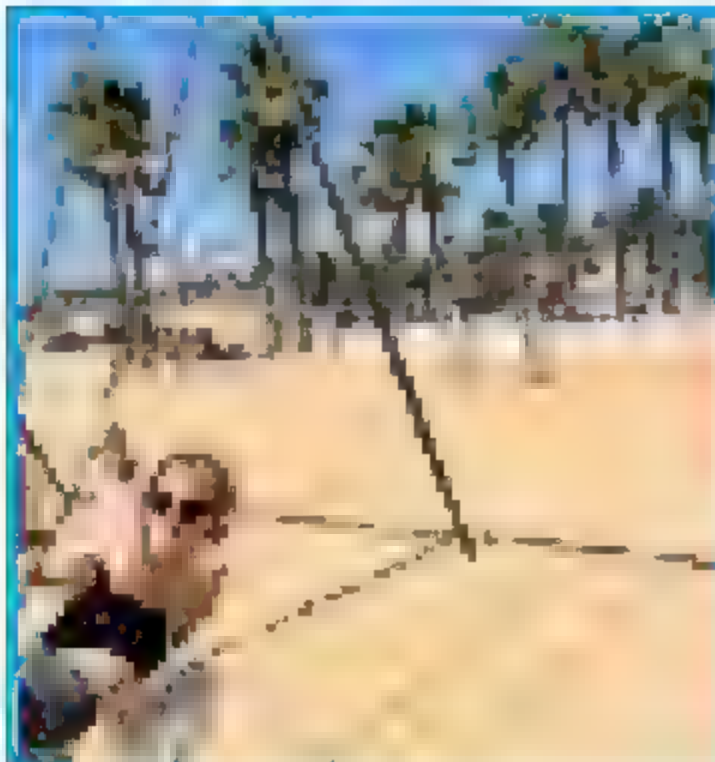


Jokes On Us Present**MADAME CHANDELIER'S OPERA HOUSE PARTY**

Have you ever wondered where the divas go, in between getting married or getting killed, night after night at the opera house? Madame Chandelier's Opera House Party, of course. Brunnhilde, Carmen, Tosca - they've been before. Once you've been, you'll want to go 'encore'. "Madame Chandelier is smart, has empathy, and can sing" \*\*\*\* The Observer. "Infectiously bonkers" \*\*\*\* The Scotsman. "Hilarious and madcap cabaret" \*\*\*\*\* Musical Theatre Review.  
[www.MadameChandelier.com](http://www.MadameChandelier.com)

MUSICAL, CABARET

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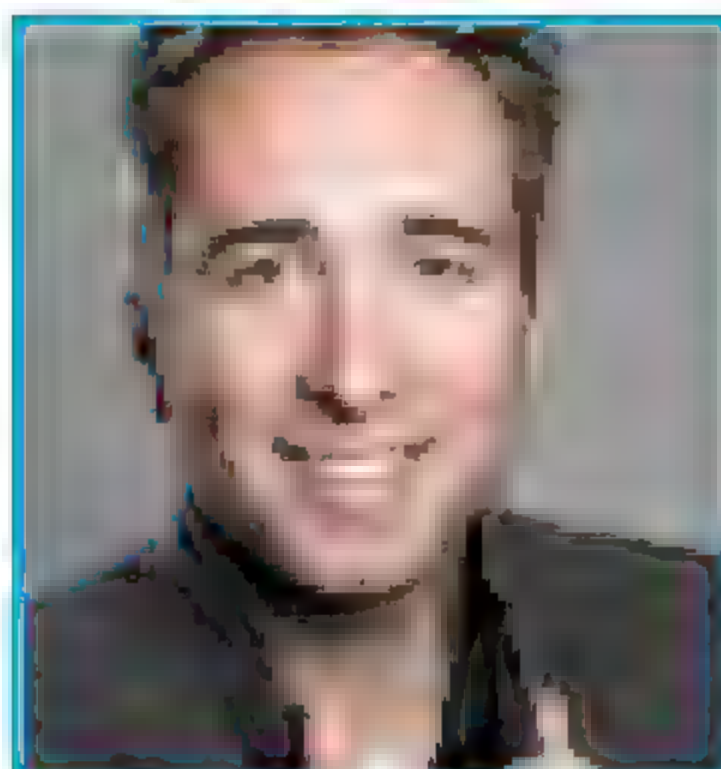
Jokes On Us present**MADDIE CAMPION: WORK IN PROGRESS**

"Don't live your life girl, unless it's just like a movie." - Mother Teresa. A stand up show from Maddie Campion about love, justice, and why the 1% should be denied the right to look ugly. Campion has previously been a 2Northdown Finalist, shortlisted for the BBC New Comedy Award, and has appeared on Comedy Central online and BuzzFeed. Praise for previous show: "smart, sharp and original. Go and see it!" \*\*\*\* (Funny Women)  
[www.maddiecampion.com](http://www.maddiecampion.com)

STAND UP

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Venue:	Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want





Big Difference presents

**MAKING FILMS ABOUT COMEDY - A DISCUSSION WITH JOE BOR**

An exclusive opportunity to learn more about the films and work created by Joe Bor, an award winning film maker who has developed a niche in creating films about comedy. Joe will be chatting with Festival Founder Geoff Rowe about how he develops his concepts, raises finance for his films, gets distribution and what the future might look like. Join them for a lively masterclass about making films.

DISCUSSION

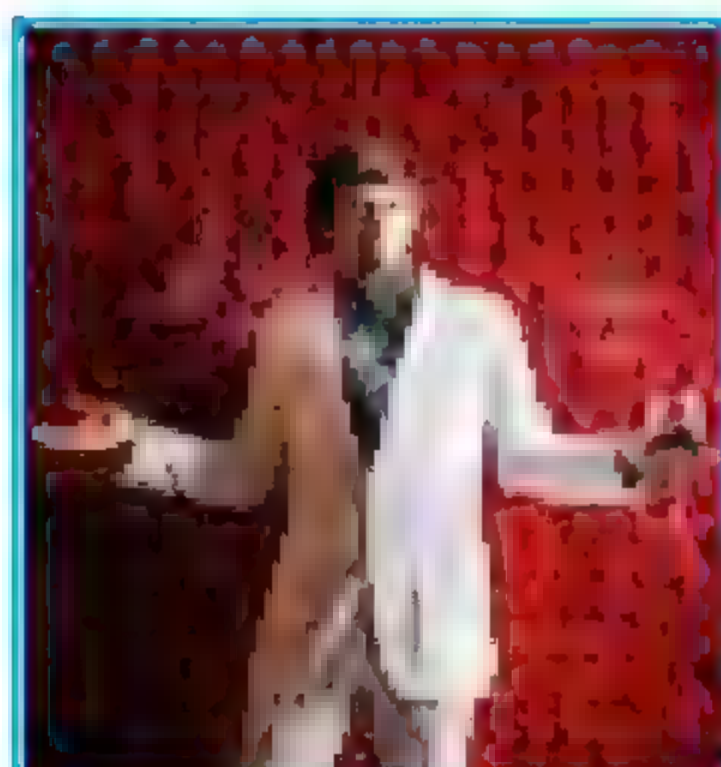
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United Agents present

**MAMOUN ELAGAB: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Rising star Mamoun shares with you his unfiltered, idiosyncratic and unorthodox world view. Finalist: BBC New Comedy Award, Leicester Square New Comedian of the Year, Chortle Student Comedy Award and alumnus of the Pleasance Reserve. 'A loaded wit and a mischievous way of tweaking liberal guilt' (Chortle.co.uk). A work in progress stand-up show taking a left field look at all walks of British society from a revered scholar of hood philosophy.

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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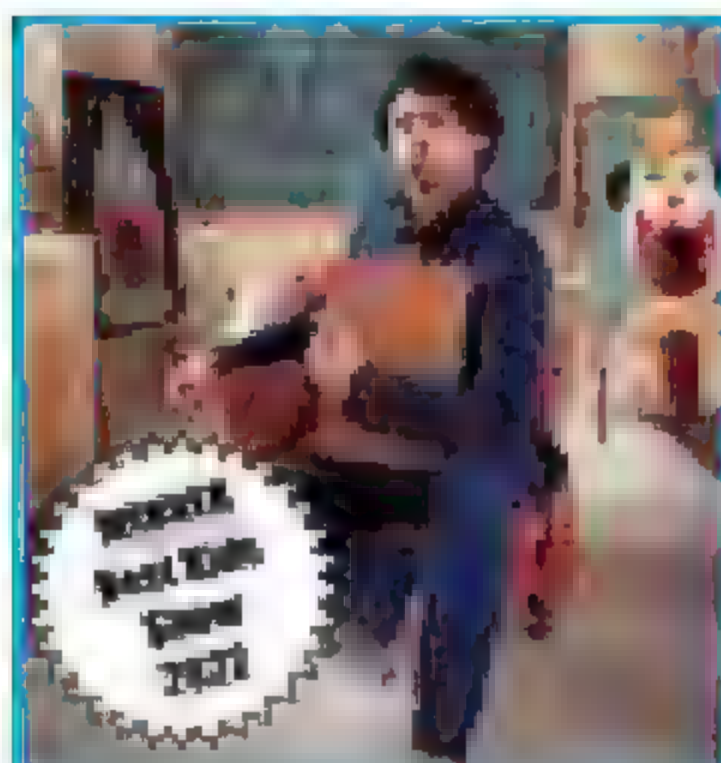
Marcel Lucont &amp; Big Difference present

**MARCEL LUCONT'S CABARET FANTASTIQUE**

Marcel Lucont (Comedy Central At The Comedy Store, BBC1's The John Bishop Show) presents his cult hit show from around the world with a feast of alternative international cabaret featuring comedy, music, poetry and circus. "One of the finest nights in our fair city" - Time Out London. "Debauchorous, delightful and debonaire... Marcel knows how to put on one hell of a show" - PerthNow, FringeWorld Australia. Line-up: [www.cabaretfantastique.com](http://www.cabaretfantastique.com)

[www.marcellucont.com](http://www.marcellucont.com)

CABARET, MIXED BILL

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 **24** 25 26
**Time:** 20:00 (22:00)**Venue:** The Little Theatre Map Ref: 55**Entry:** £12

CM Management present

**MARCEL LUCONT: LES ENFANTS TERRIBLES - A GAMESHOW FOR AWFUL CHILDREN**

Winner: Best Kids Show 2022 - UK Kids' Comedy Festival. Top 10 Kids Shows of Edinburgh Fringe - The Scotsman. The wild gameshow returns, where kids get to be pests, politicians and petomanes. See what happens when international insouciance meets infantile exuberance. "Hilarious" The Guardian. "A real highlight of Edinburgh Fringe for the whole Horne family. Très funny, we're still talking about it now. Merci Marcel!" Alex Horne (Taskmaster). 6+

[www.marcellucont.com](http://www.marcellucont.com)

CHILDREN'S, GAME SHOW

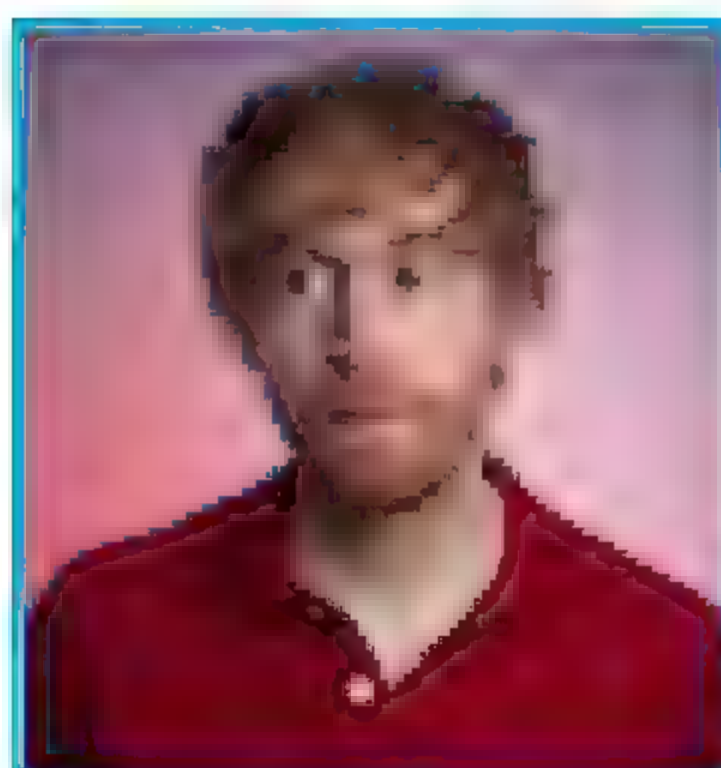
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**Time:** 15:00 (16:00)**Venue:** BrewDog Map Ref: 10**Entry:** £6

'Jokes On Us' presents

**MARK ROW: A\* IN THE MAKING**

Mark Row has had enough! After 17 years of teaching, he longs to escape the barrage of inane questions, the endless carousel of uninspiring classes, and the attitude of kids that stinks worse than their PE Kits. So whilst he taught, he toured, embracing a new life in the world of stand up comedy, and it turns out that a career built on having a laugh just to get through his class, has provided him with an outstanding lesson in how to entertain!

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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RBM Comedy

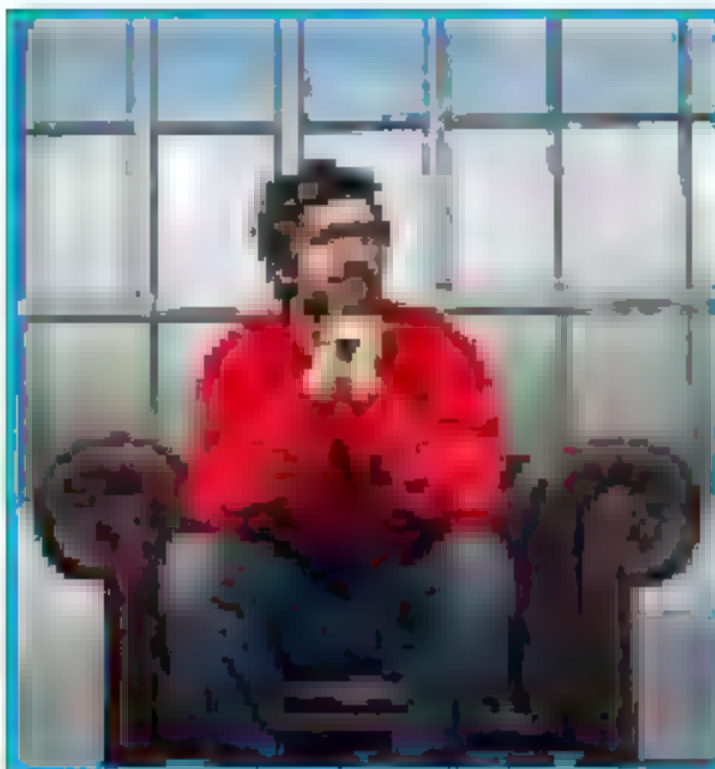
**MARK SIMMONS: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Mark Simmons (Mock The Week, BT Sport, Dave's top jokes of the fringe 2019 & 2022) returns to Leicester Comedy Festival 2023 with a Work In Progress show. Expect the exceptionally sharp one-liners Mark is known for. "One of the UK's pre-eminent pun merchants... the quickest quipster in showbusiness." - Evening Standard "Master of one liners" one4review \*\*\*\*

STAND UP

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Impatient Productions present

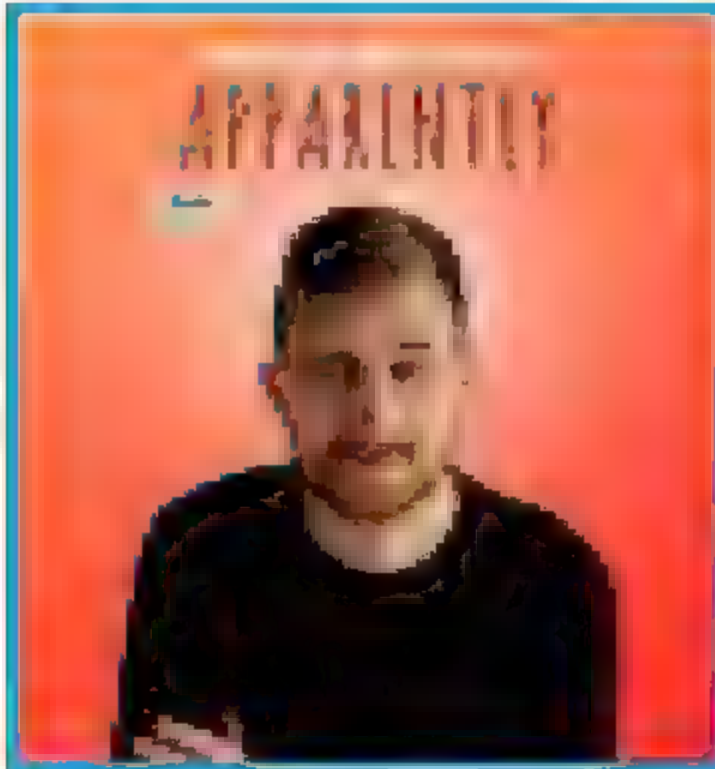
REGIONAL PREMIERE

**MARK WATSON: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Rapidly ageing national treasure Mark Watson (Taskmaster & No More Jockeys & so on) previews his show before Melbourne & Edinburgh seasons later in 2023. So, a work-in-progress, but one that should hopefully be in decent shape by now. The father of kids who are beginning to explore the world through phones, & the son of a man who has never owned one, Watson considers time, technology, & the search we're all involved in for meaning and fulfilment.  
[markwatsonthecomedian.com](http://markwatsonthecomedian.com)

STAND UP

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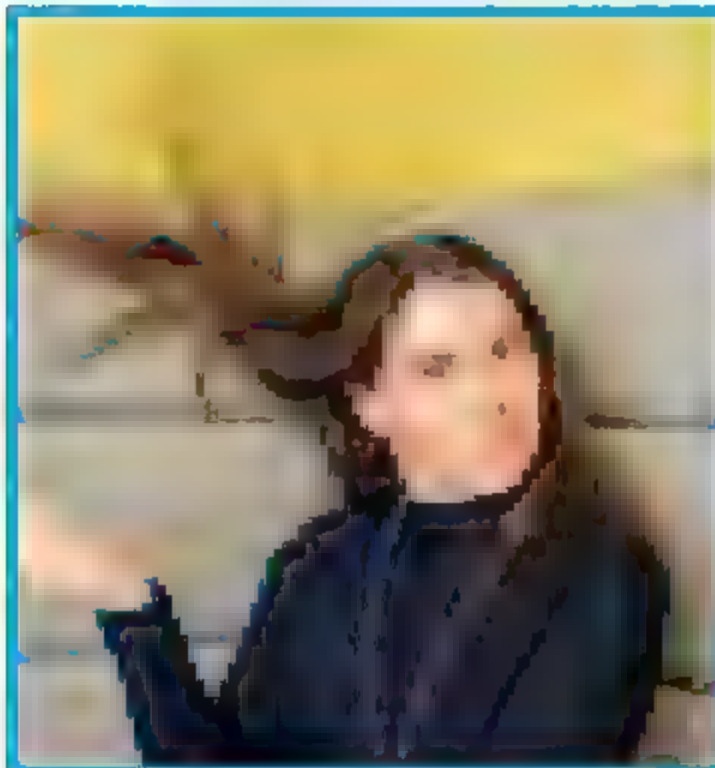
Jokes On Us Present

**MARTIN WESTGATE: APPARENTLY**

Martin is a recently single dad very early 30's and has just had a massive career change, having been thrust into the comedy world full time. Can he do it? Can he adjust to this new world he finds himself in? Apparently he can! Join Martin in a joke heavy show about his life, dating and comedy.

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Mary Flanigan

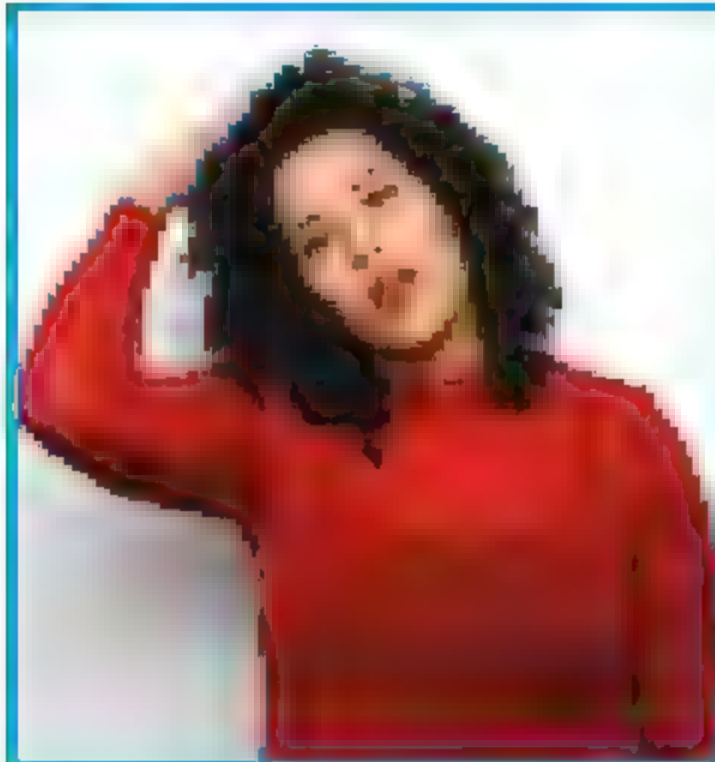
WORLD PREMIERE

**MARY FLANIGAN BEGINS AGAIN**

Mary Flanigan (Radio 4 'The Rest of Us' and 'Parish Is Burning', Birmingham Comedy Festival Breaking Talent 'Commended' Award 2019) is tired of all her jokes. She's going to rip it all up and start over. But with what? What happens to her old jokes? And can someone stop this madness in time? Tour support for Fern Brady, as seen on Mark Watson's Watsonathon 'smart, pithy...sharp and astute' Chortle, 'Stand-up comedy gold' Squirrel Comedy  
[maryisfunny.biz](http://maryisfunny.biz)

STAND UP, ALTERNATIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	16:00 (17:00)
Venue:	Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



United Agents present

**MARY O'CONNELL: MONEY PRINCESS (WIP)**

Mary O'Connell is conflicted: she hates capitalism but she loves to shop. A work-in-progress show of observational annoyance from a blunt and disturbed perspective. As seen on Stand Up for Live Comedy (BBC Three), Laugh Lessons (BBC Three) and Comedy Central Live. Writer for The Emily Attack Show (ITV2) and The Now Show (BBC Radio 4). Funny Women runner-up 2020, NATYS finalist and creative resident at Steve Coogan's Baby Cow Productions.  
<https://marywiththe.com/>

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:00 (21:00)
Venue:	45 West Map Ref: 2																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



Mates Improv presents:

**MATES: THE IMPROVISED '90S SITCOM**

The one with the improvised comedy! Don your sweater-vest and your Rachel hairdo, and get ready to relive the '90s. Inspired by classic sitcoms such as Seinfeld, Frasier and Friends, could this show BE any funnier? From comedians behind the award-winning Sex, Lies & Improvisation and CSI: Crime Scene Improvisation. Best Improv Show Edinburgh Fringe 2022 - Theatre Weekly. \*\*\*\* "Uproarious!" A Younger Theatre \*\*\*\* "Laugh-out-loud!" Phoenix Remix  
[www.matesimprov.com](http://www.matesimprov.com)

IMPROV, THEATRE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (20:30)
Venue:	BrewDog Map Ref: 10																			Entry:	£9.50 (£8)



Fluid Thinking presents...

**MATT BRAGG HAS NOTHING WRONG WITH HIM (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

The debut show from Matt Bragg, tour support for the likes of Ricky Gervais, John Bishop, Jason Manford, Lloyd Griffith, Scott Bennett, Suzi Ruffell and more. Leicester Mercury Comedian of The Year Runner Up 2019. 'Classic observation comedy delivered with effortless style.' - Ricky Gervais 'Brilliant. Beyond highly recommended' - Johnny Vegas 'Exemplary Stand Up, I feel for whoever follows him' - Tom Rosenthal  
[www.mattbraggcomedy.com](http://www.mattbraggcomedy.com)

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:00 (20:00)
Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£6





Monster Comedy & DC Productions Present

### MATT HOLLINS: WIMBLEDON'S OLDEST BALL BOY

Former Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year Matt Hollins had a fascinating working life before becoming a stand up comedian. From getting into politics too early, to a summer job at The All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club in SW19! Come and hear his remarkable story. "Strikingly original". Chortle.co.uk "Wonderful and unique." Joe Lycett



WORLD PREMIERE



SOLO SHOW, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 **19** 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



### MATT HUTCHINSON: HOSTILE (PREVIEW)

Matt is the son of Jamaican and English parents and is an NHS doctor. In this stand up show he asks: "What makes life in Britain hostile?" and what does it mean to "integrate". Finalist in the Leicester Square New Comedian and New Act of the Year Showcase competitions, Semi-finalist BBC New Comedy Award. As heard on Radio 4, as seen on BBC3 & Nextup. "An assured presence" - Chortle "Safe hands" - Chortle, and some patients

REGIONAL PREMIERE



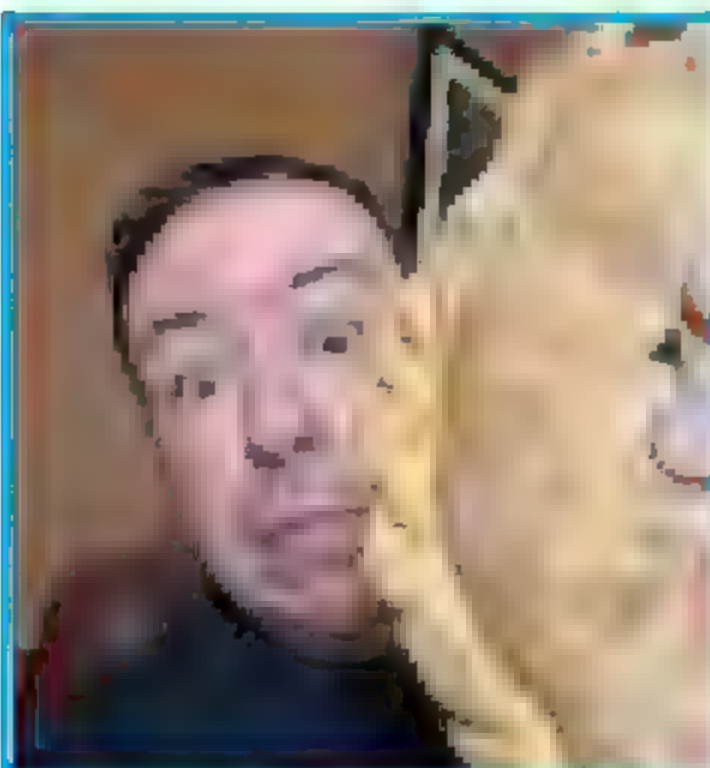
STAND UP, MUSICAL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 **25** 26

Time: 21:30 (22:30)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £7.50 (£6.50)



Foxy Comedy Presents

### MATT PRICE : DOES THIRTY STYLES OF COMEDY IN AN HOUR!

Google reckons there are 30 different styles of comedy. Cornish deadpan, interactive high-energy, surreal one-liner storyteller prop comic Matt Price, will perform each of them in this show! "A great storyteller" Leicester Mercury. "A laugh out loud joy of an hour" Kate Copstick, The Scotsman

WORLD PREMIERE



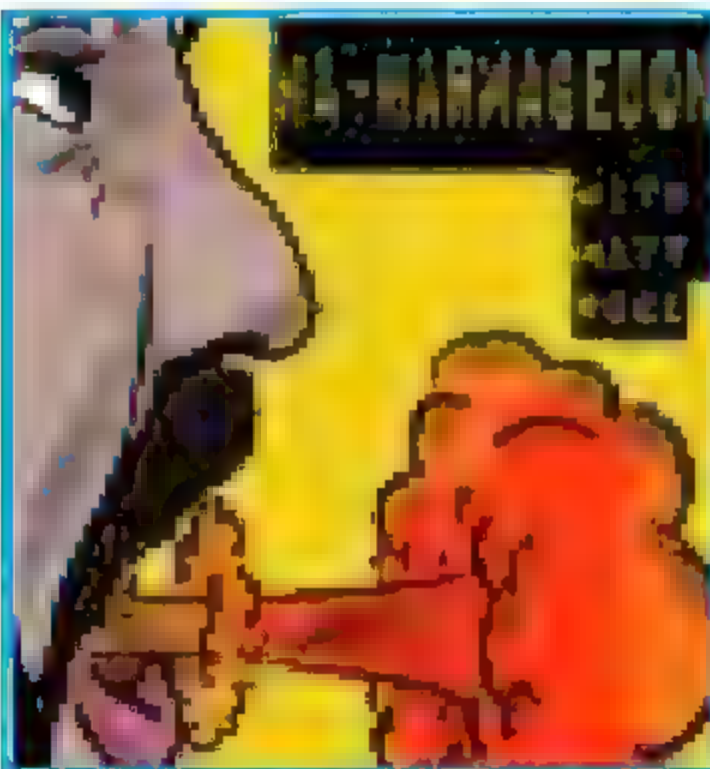
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 **26**

Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: Wygston's House Map Ref: 65

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Brett Vincent for GetComedy proudly presents

### MATT REED: HA-HARMAGEDON

The worlds teetered on the edge that many times now that Matt has decided to take steps. He's going to build a wonderful palatial bunker to sit out the apocalypse (however it happens) thing is he needs you to help it work. You get to make suggestions for the bunker and you get to state your case as to why you should be allowed in. Matt being grand overlord and leader of this new way (not a cult) decides if you're worthy. "Great concept" BBC

REGIONAL PREMIERE



STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 **18** 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 16:00 (17:00)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £7.50 (£6)



Blue Book Artist Management Present

### MATT RICHARDSON: WORK IN PROGRESS

It's about time for Matt to do a new show, after messing around on Dancing on Ice (Lasted one week) & Arguing with Honey G on Celebrity Coach Trip (Lasted 6 days). It'll be an hour of fast-paced, crude and honest stand-up. Proper stand-up from an underrated Comedian better known for hosting shows about Ghost Hunting and Millionaire Dogs (yes, really) - he'll be telling you all about his bizarre and eventful life.

[mattrichardsoncomedy.co.uk](http://mattrichardsoncomedy.co.uk)

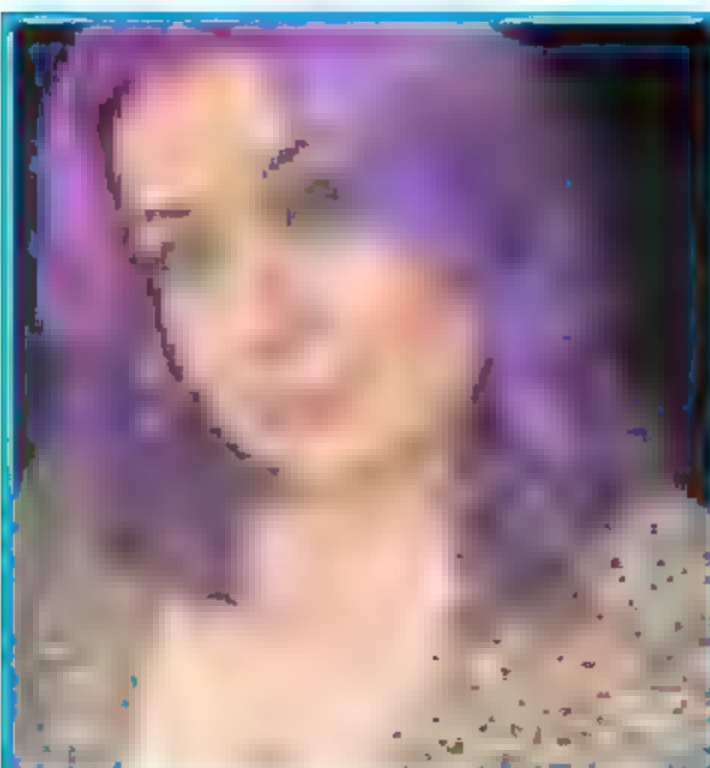
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 **19** 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 18:00 (19:00)

Venue: Black Horse Map Ref: 9

Entry: £8 (£7)



NCF and Late Stage Comedy Present

### MAXINE WADE: THE NEARLYWED (WORK IN PROGRESS)

Maxine Wade was meant to get married, but didn't, because life doesn't always go to plan... This bold and darkly humorous true story of what it's like to be a real life 'Nearlywed' will have you laughing, crying - and running out to buy wedding insurance. Grab the confetti, and RSVP to this debut hour from this very funny, and slightly filthy, bride-not-to-be. 'Til wed do us part.

WORLD PREMIERE



STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 **11** 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want





The Queer Comedy Club present

MEDIOCRE GAY

Growing up gay in small town, 90s Kent, it's easy to think your sexuality is the reason you don't fit in. But what if it's not? Explore the expectations, struggles & disappointment of being a gay man being both too gay & not gay enough? Witty one-liners, intelligent jokes & heartwarming storytelling in this romp through one gay man's journey to be the best little boy in the world that will make you laugh, think & reflect on your own belonging.

www.davidian.co.uk

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	10th 19:30 (20:30)   11th 21:00 (22:00)
Venue:	The Globe Map Ref: 50																			Entry:	£7



PBJ Management presents

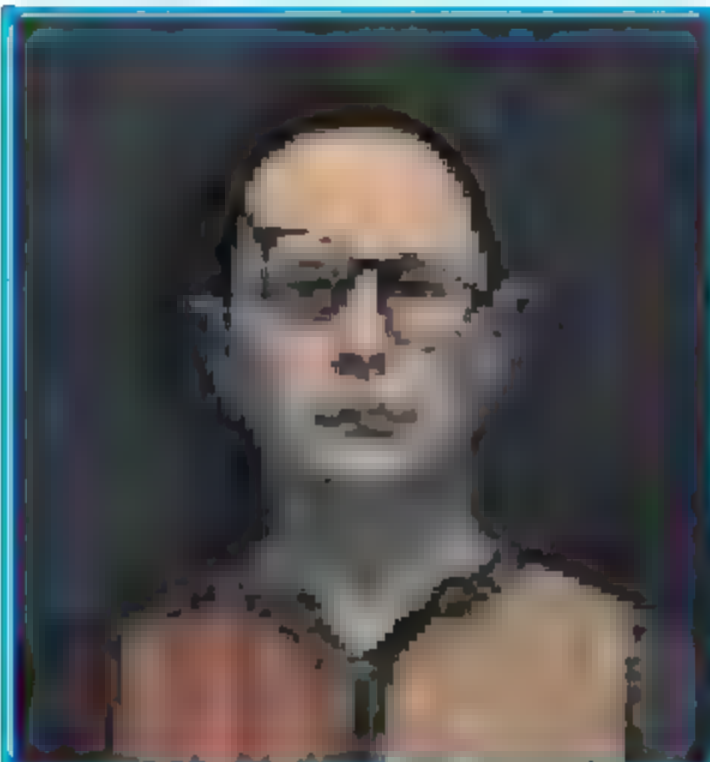
MICHAEL AKADIRI: NO SCRUBS

Following his debut sell out run at the Edinburgh Fringe, comedian and junior doctor Michael Akadiri brings his NextUp Biggest Award in Comedy nominated show to Leicester! This "consistently funny, routinely dark show" (Scotsman) sees the "supremely talented and likeable" (Metro) Michael traverse the challenges of life inside and out of the NHS, as he ponders if he's a scrub, when he's wearing no scrubs. As seen on ITV2s Stand Up Sketch Show.

linktr.ee/michaelakadiri

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:00 (20:00)
Venue:	Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17																			Entry:	£10 (£8)



TripleGeePee presents

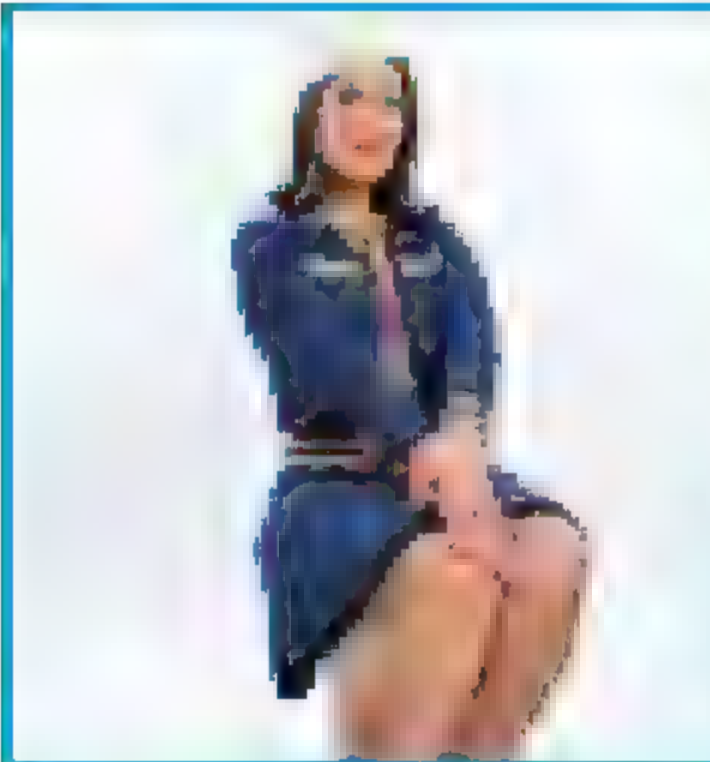
MICHAEL BRUNSTRÖM: THEME AND VARIATIONS

Serial innovator Michael Brunström explores a series of harmonic, rhythmic and melodic adaptations of a familiar refrain: a unique and unrepeatable experiment in mind-bending comedic delirium. \*\*\*\*\* 'A stunning piece of comedy' (Comedy to Watch). \*\*\*\*\* 'Sense-bendingly entertaining ... great, crazy, never-to-be-forgotten comedy' (Scotsman). \*\*\*\*\* 'An artistic genius' (Skinny). Winner of the Malcolm Hardee Award for Comic Originality.

ALTERNATIVE, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	13:40 (14:25)
Venue:	Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17																			Entry:	£4 advance or Pay What You Want

WORLD PREMIERE



Brett Vincent for GetComedy proudly presents

MICHELLE SHAUGHNESSY: WORK IN PROGRESS

Having accomplished almost everything she could in her home country Michelle left Toronto, Canada to move to London. Fast forward 9 months Michelle is now an established act in the UK and Europe and her debut show (directed by Adam Hills) was a hit at the Edinburgh Fringe. She's now bringing her brand new show to the Leicester Comedy Festival. "See Michelle before she's all over TV. Hilarious! The ideal night out" KATHERINE RYAN

www.getcomedy.com/michelle-shaughnessy

SOLD SHOW, STAND UP

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Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£8

REGIONAL PREMIERE



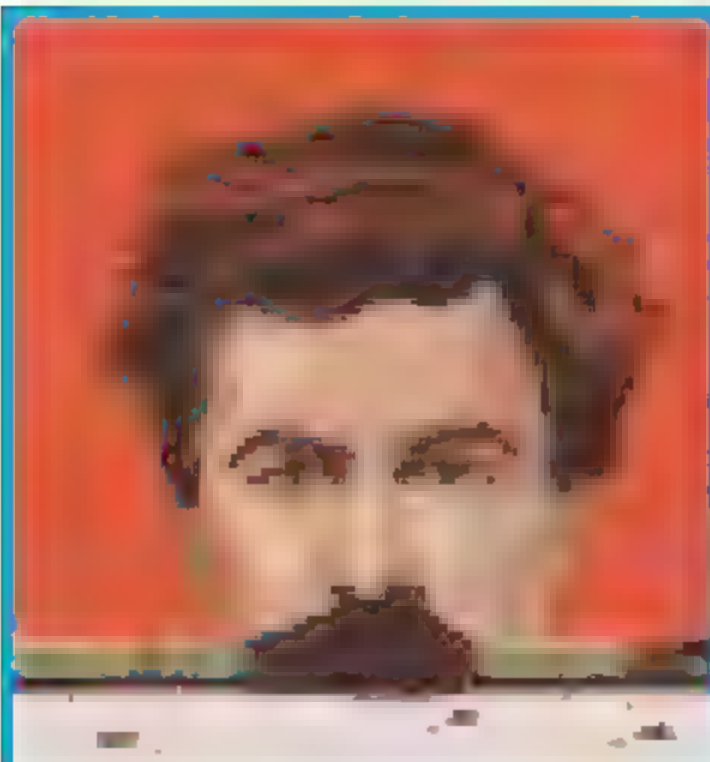
MIKE BUBBINS

Mike Bubbins, star of hit podcast The Socially Distant Sports Bar, and of BBC television comedies Mammoth, Tourist Trap and The Unexplainers, unleashes THROWBACK! Really funny stories, pretty impressive characterisations, possibly a song (he said he'll see how that goes), a bit of nostalgia about the good old days, a bit of optimism about the good new days, and Mike generally having a laugh about life.

https://mikebubbins.com/

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:00 (21:30)
Venue:	The Y Theatre Map Ref: 59																			Entry:	£19.50



Little Wander in association with PBJ Management present...

MIKE WOZNIAK: ZUSA

Ever wondered how Mike's Great-Aunt Zusa made it from Poland to Luton with a war nipping at her heels? Here's your chance to find out. As seen on Taskmaster (Channel 4), Man Down (Channel 4) and Would I Lie To You? (BBC One). As heard on Small Scenes (BBC Radio 4), the St Elwick's Neighbourhood Association Newsletter podcast and the Three Bean Salad podcast. "Mike Wozniak" The Guardian

littlewander.co.uk/show/mike-wozniak-zusa/

SOLO SHOW, STORYTELLING

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (21:20)
Venue:	The Y Theatre Map Ref: 59																			Entry:	£15 (£13)







Impatient Productions present

**MILO EDWARDS: VOICEMAIL**

Milo hasn't had a voicemail in a while. He'd like to talk about that, and a lot of other things, after a sell-out and critically acclaimed run in Edinburgh and London. A show about time, loss, and why herons need to be condemned. 'An incredibly high-quality stand-up show' (\*\*\*\* Broadway Baby); 'An excellent hour of clever, tightly written stand-up' (\*\*\*\*, Sunday Post)

[miloedwards.co.uk](http://miloedwards.co.uk)

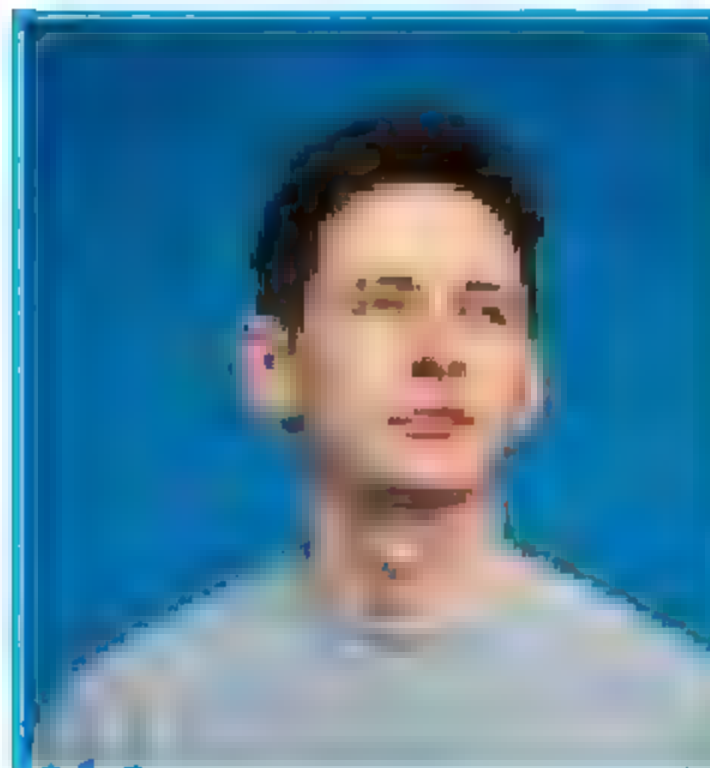
STAND UP

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Time: 14:30 (15:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £8 advance or Pay What You Want



Impatient Productions present

**MILO EDWARDS: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Do you ever feel like everything has gone to shit? Milo Edwards is attempting to put together some thoughts about it which are (hopefully) funny. A new hour of standup from the man behind the Fringe hits 'Pindos' and 'Voicemail', and the host of podcasts Trashfuture and Masters Of Our Domain. 'We need comedians like Milo Edwards.' - ScotsGag 'Intelligent punchlines at a staggering rate of knots.' - Sunday Post

[miloedwards.co.uk](http://miloedwards.co.uk)

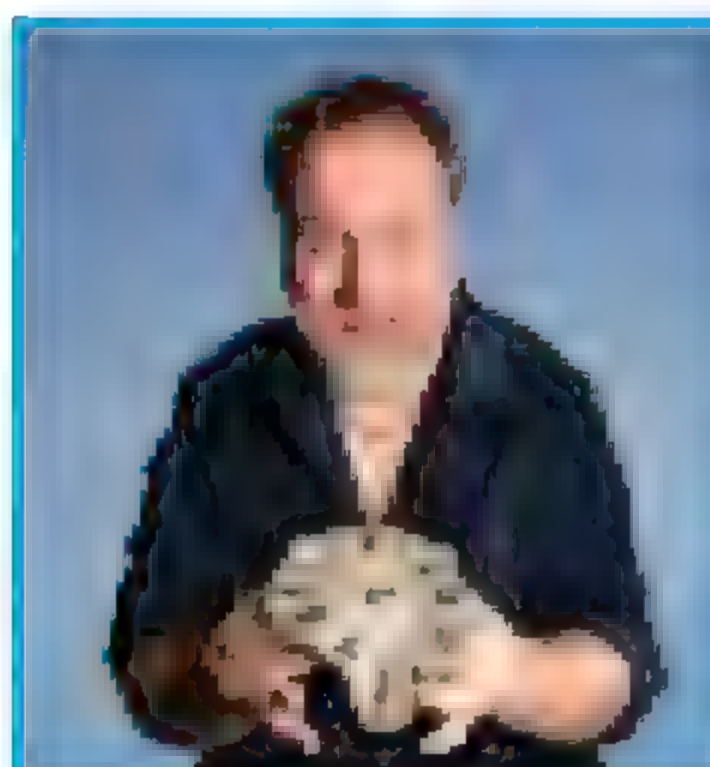
STAND UP

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Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want

**MITCH BENN: IT'S ABOUT TIME**

"The only reason for time is so that everything doesn't happen at once" - Albert Einstein (probably) If it feels like the past is catching up with us and the future isn't what it used to be, then fear not! Mitch Benn, comedian, songwriter and thinker of deep thoughts, (not to mention "country's leading musical satirist" - The Times) is back, clock in one hand and guitar in the other, to help you look at time in a whole new way.

[www.mitchbenn.com/](http://www.mitchbenn.com/)

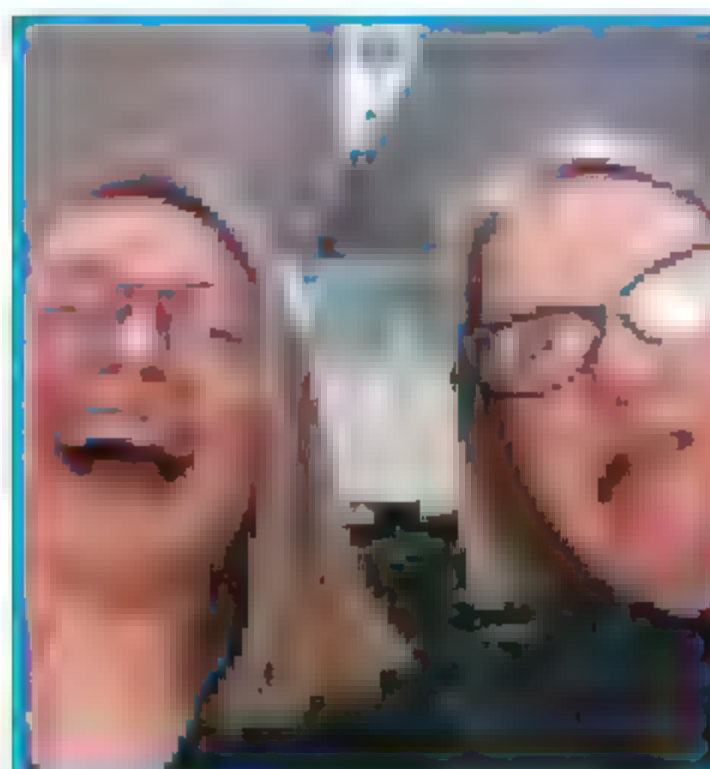
SOLO SHOW, MUSICAL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £14



unglamorous presents

WORLD PREMIERE

**MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS GAME SHOW**

Best of friends? or maybe you're worlds apart? Bring your mother, your daughter or just your many years of resentment to this fun improv game show. There's a chance to vent anonymously, judge other people, watch reconstructions, improvised scenarios and maybe even win a bunch of flowers for someone special - like yourself. Book early for this show - a mash-up of improv, anecdotes, quiz questions and bewilderment - in a coffee shop venue!

[unglamorous.co.uk](http://unglamorous.co.uk)

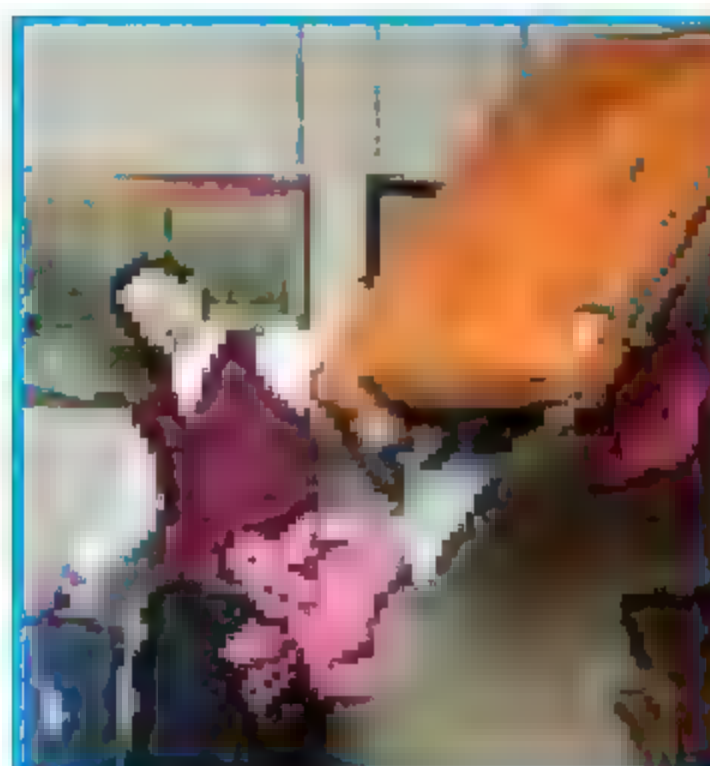
GAME SHOW, IMPROV

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: 200 Degrees Coffee Shop Map Ref: 1

Entry: £6



Jody Kamali presents...

**MR SLEEPY BUM**

(work-in-progress) Do you have stupid, silly, weird dreams that don't make sense? Then come and join Mr Sleepy Bum in a sleep adventure. Mr Sleepy Bum will reenact some of his favourite dreams in this high-energy, inventive physical comedy show from seasoned Character comedian Jody Kamali. 'Jody is hilariously stupid' Andy Day Cheebies/CBBC. 'Unquestionably entertaining' Chortle 'Brilliant, original, visual comedy' Harry Hill

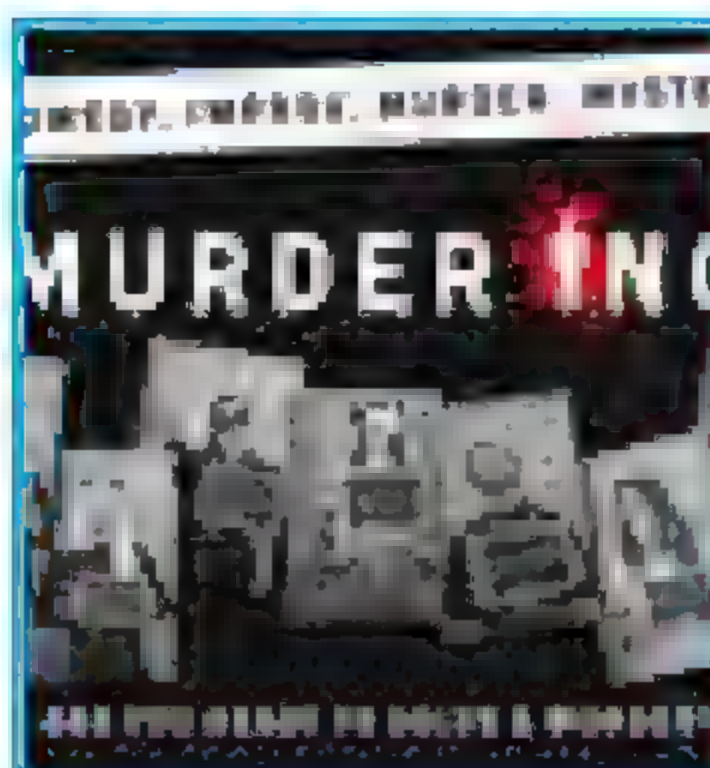
CHILDREN'S, CHARACTER

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 15:00 (15:45)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4

Entry: £6 (£5)

**MURDER INC.**

You'll be complicit in the crime with Murder Inc. Improv. The audience chooses the where/the who/and maybe even the why with their suggestions. Then, the players are off to reconstruct the crime. The North's longest running long-form improv comedy is at the Leicester Comedy Fest for one night only. Come see the show that Trip Advisor reviewers call 'sensational', 'unbelievable', and 'hilarious'.

[www.murderincimprov.com](http://www.murderincimprov.com)

IMPROV, ALTERNATIVE

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (21:00)

Venue: BrewDog Map Ref: 10

Entry: £10 (£8)







**NITESCREEN**

British comedy's premier (only) ITV Nightscreen tribute act makes its Leicester debut. "My friend had a nap, I had a very nice time" (Daniel Kitson) "Meteorite, lightning-in-a-bottle brilliance" (London Student) "Strangely addictive" (Bunbury)

[www.facebook.com/nitescreen](http://www.facebook.com/nitescreen)



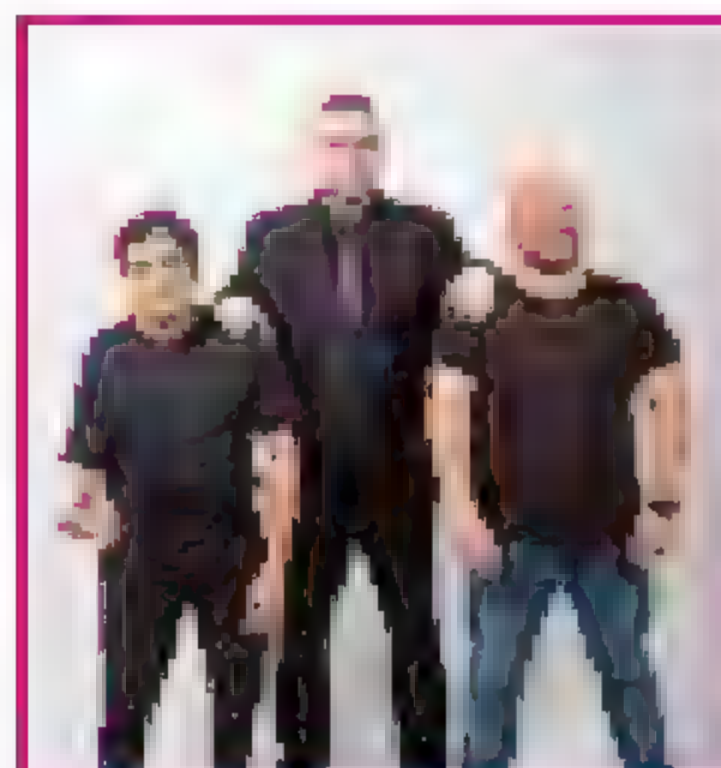
INSTALLATION, IMMERSIVE

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want

**NORTHERN SOLES**

Northern Soles is the debut show for three comedians from Middlesbrough, Jim McMaster, Kyle Kraze and Matty Oxley. Each act is a completely different style, with their own unique presence, and each taking the world to task in their own 20 minutes set. "Outrageously funny" - Chris McGlade "Bloody Brilliant" - Rich Long "Brilliantly written jokes" - Danny Posthill "Razor sharp lines" - The Laughienda Club



STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: The Globe Map Ref: 50

Entry: £5 (£4)



Jokes On Us Presents

**NORTHERN SOUL**

Jokes On Us are delighted to bring you Louise Atkinson and Kevin Daniel, two northern pals in a southern land bursting to entertain you in this double header, one hour show. They'll share a few stories and musings about life, love and friendship through the lens of gravy, biscuits and fried bread. Louise is a multi-award-winning comic and Kevin, well he's a bit Scottish. Book a ticket now to avoid disappointment, it won't even cost you to book.

WORLD PREMIERE



STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: 45 West Map Ref: 2

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us present

**NOT THE TIM VINE SHOW**

1-liners, puns, wordplay, props and songs from two of the UK's leading shortform joke masters who are not Tim Vine. Starring ALF - as seen on Britain's Got Talent, "A Very funny man" - David Walliams, "Utter Chaos" - Jethro; and RICHARD PULSFORD - UK Pun Championships winner 2022, Scottish Comedian of the Year runner-up 2021, Top Ten Edinburgh Fringe Jokes 2019, 2021 & 2022 and The Mirror's Funniest Jokes 2019.

[www.richardpulsford.com](http://www.richardpulsford.com)



STAND UP, MIXED BILL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (20:20)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23

Entry: FREE



Monster Comedy Presents

**OKSE: OKSEMORONIC**

After a 7 year hiatus, award winning comedian Chris "Okse" Oxenbury returns a lot older and a lot wider with his one man show "Oksemoronic." Join him as he gets to know you and shares his funny takes on his life. Best MC, Midlands Comedy Awards 2019 "Cheeky, charming and cheerful comedy" Buzz Comedy

[Theartofokse.com](http://Theartofokse.com)



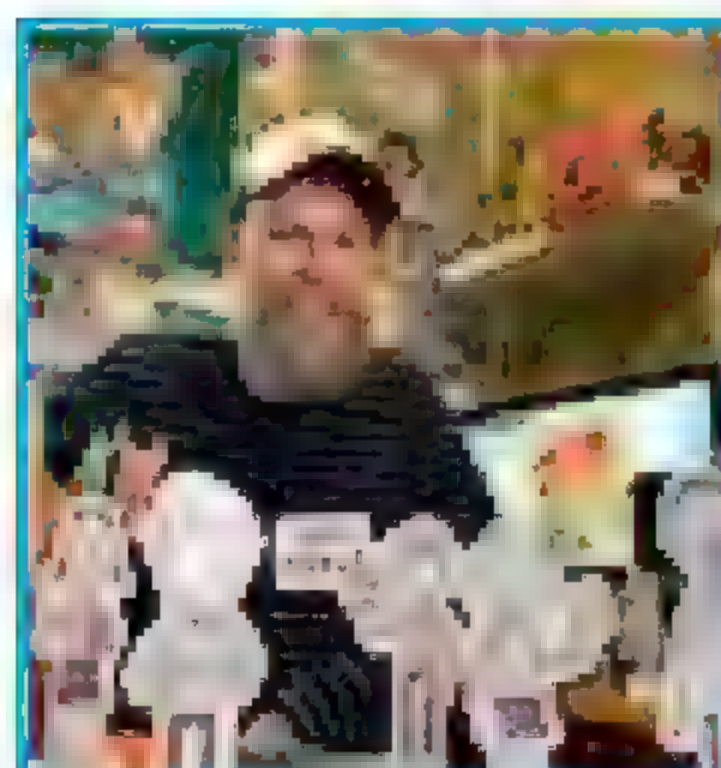
STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want

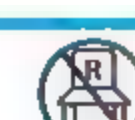


Big Difference present

**OLAF FALAFEL: CHILDREN'S BOOK READING**

Join comedian, author, illustrator and 2021 winner of Dave's Joke Of The Fringe as he reads from his debut chapter book 'Trixie Pickle Art Avenger' as well as other books from his back catalogue. This event will definitely contain jokes, farts and drawing!

[ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)



CHILDREN'S, STORYTELLING

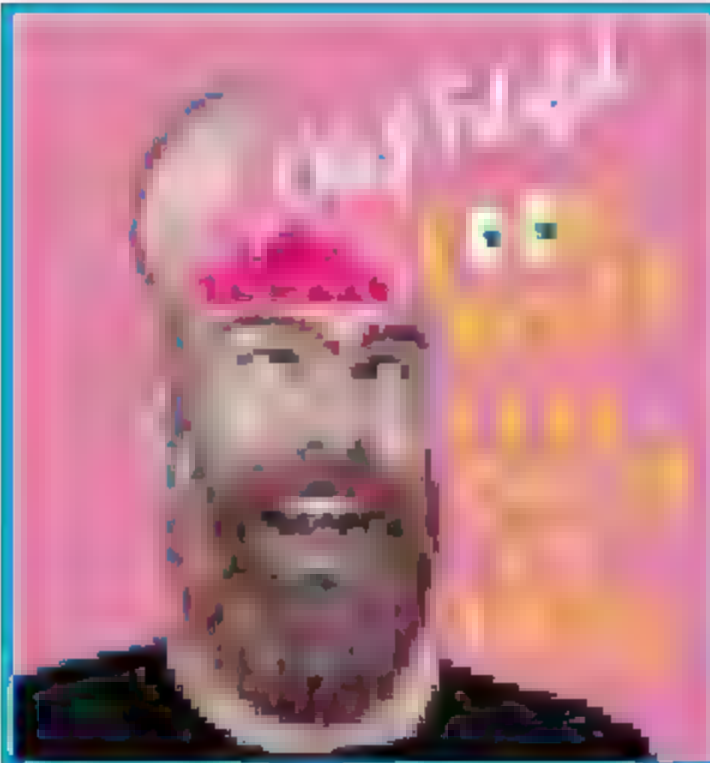
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Time: 14:00 (15:00)

Venue: Fox Books Map Ref: 21

Entry: FREE





**OLAF FALAFEL: LOOK WHAT FELL OUT OF MY HEAD**

**WORLD PREMIERE**

Join the best-joke-list-bothering, splendid-review-garnering, diaphragm-jiggling comedian as he presents a hostess trolley full of funny in his favourite city that isn't Edinburgh or Luton.  
[twitter.com/Ofalafel](#)

ALTERNATIVE, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	18:00 (19:00)
Venue:	Firebug Map Ref: 20																			Entry:	£6 (£4) advance or Pay What You Want



**OLAF FALAFEL'S SUPER STUPID SHOW**

**REGIONAL PREMIERE**

Join comedian and children's author Olaf Falafel for an hour of really stupid kids' comedy plus some drawing and possibly something that involves fishing, ducks, bumbags and sausages. Family-friendly frivolity that will leave you feeling a lot less intelligent than when you walked in.  
[twitter.com/Ofalafel](#)

CHILDREN'S, FAMILY

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	16:30 (17:30)
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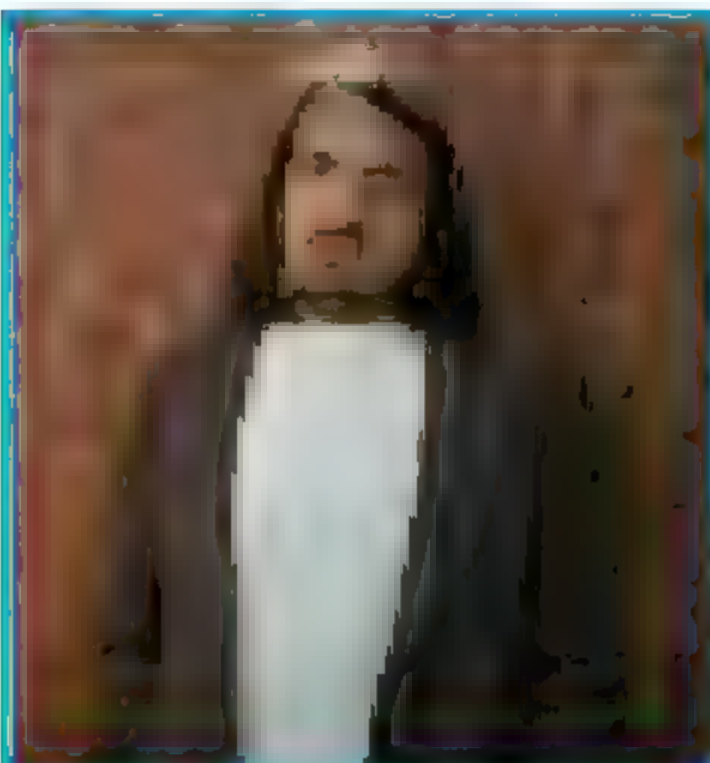


**OLGA KOCH: PLEASE RESPOND (WIP)**

Star of Mock the Week, QI and Frankie Boyle's New World Order, Olga Koch, got a master's degree and she won't shut up about it (for an hour, tops). \*\*\*\* - The Guardian  
[www.rocknrolga.com](#)

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:00 (20:00)
Venue:	Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



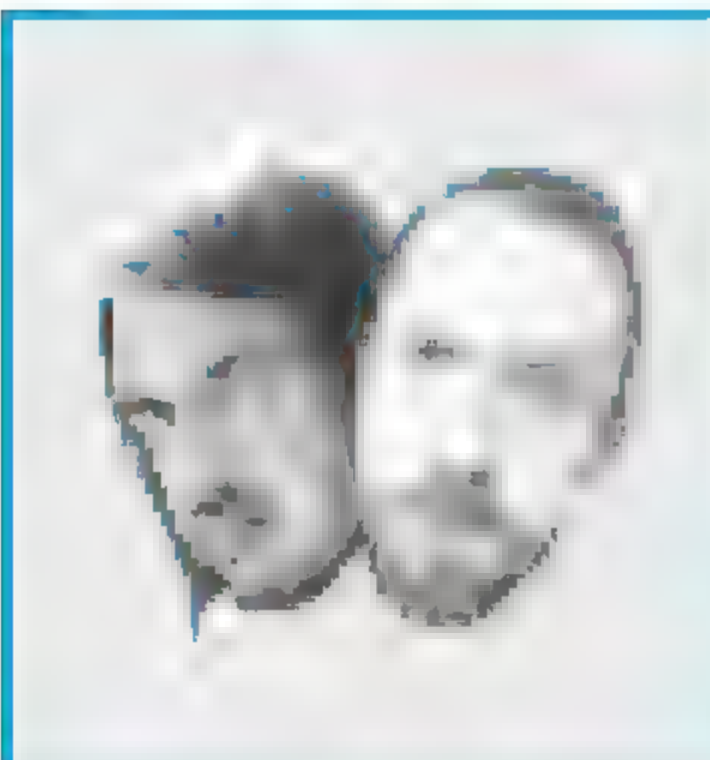
**OMAR IBRAHIM: DECOLONISE THIS**

**REGIONAL PREMIERE**

An idiot's attempt to further the cultural conversation. Omar Ibrahim is back with another ridiculous attempt to resolve the wounds of human history within an hour of stand up. Nonsensical sense-making from a philosophical fool, offering a unifying tonic for polarised times. \*Tonic not drug related. 'A reminder that we are all idiots, himself included.' Chortle 'Brilliantly original material' Theatre Weekly

SOLD SHOW, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	16:00 (17:00)
Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£8 (£6)



**OMAR&LEE ARE EVERYMAN**

**REGIONAL PREMIERE**

Countercultural goons Omar&Lee workshop their way to mature masculinity! 'EVERYMAN' is a comedic dissection of masculinity through sketches, clowning, philosophy, a bit of crying and a whole lot of stupidity. "I laughed so much it hurt' The New Current

SKETCH, CLOWN

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:00 (20:00)
Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£8 (£6)



Furthest from the Sea presents

**OPPORTUNITY KNOCK KNOCKS**

An eclectic combination of up-and-coming and just-starting-out comedians hand picked by Furthest from the Sea, champions of home-grown music, comedy and arts and founded in Derbyshire. Hosted, compered and encased by the outrageously direct Wesley Mallin, this showcase will preview new comedy and spoken word material wrapped up in the same old bad language and an hour of laughter. Featured acts include Jen Clare and Kevin O'Brien.  
[www.furthestfromthesea.co.uk](#)

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:00 (20:00)
Venue:	Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30																			Entry:	£5



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**PADDY YOUNG: LAUGH, YOU RATS!**

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STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: 45 West Map Ref: 2

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want

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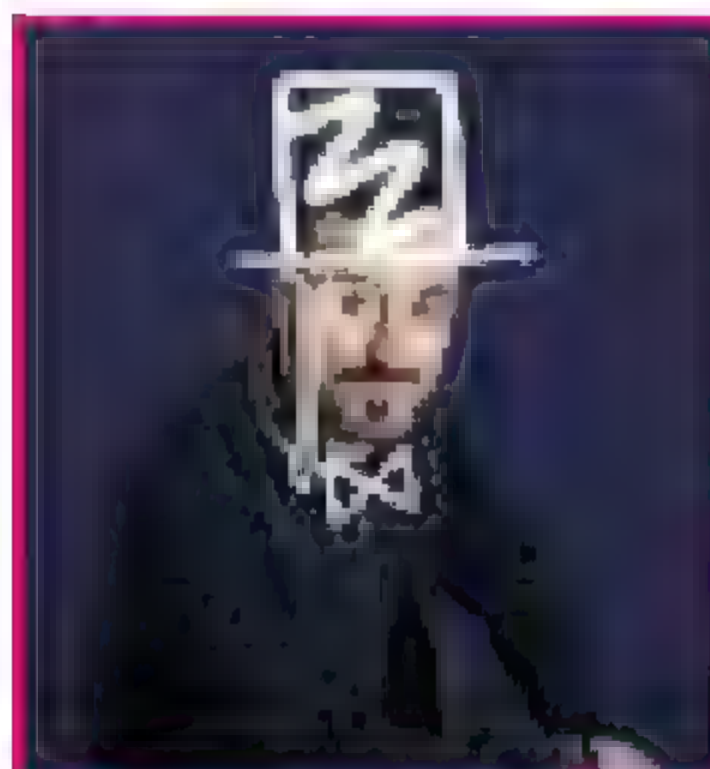
STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:45 (20:45)

Venue: The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Vivienne Smith Management present

**PATRICK MONAHAN: CLASSY**

In a world of groups, hierarchies and class systems, everyone's trying so hard to fit in. What's wrong with being a misfit? Be you, be proud! From the caravan to the middle class neighbourhood, it's taken Monahan 4 decades to realise this. Enjoy Monahan's stand up observations on living his contemporary life alongside stories of his upbringing. 'Terrific Comic' Scotsman \*\*\*\* 'Definite must see!' Edinburgh Festivals Magazine.

[patrickmonahan.co.uk](http://patrickmonahan.co.uk)

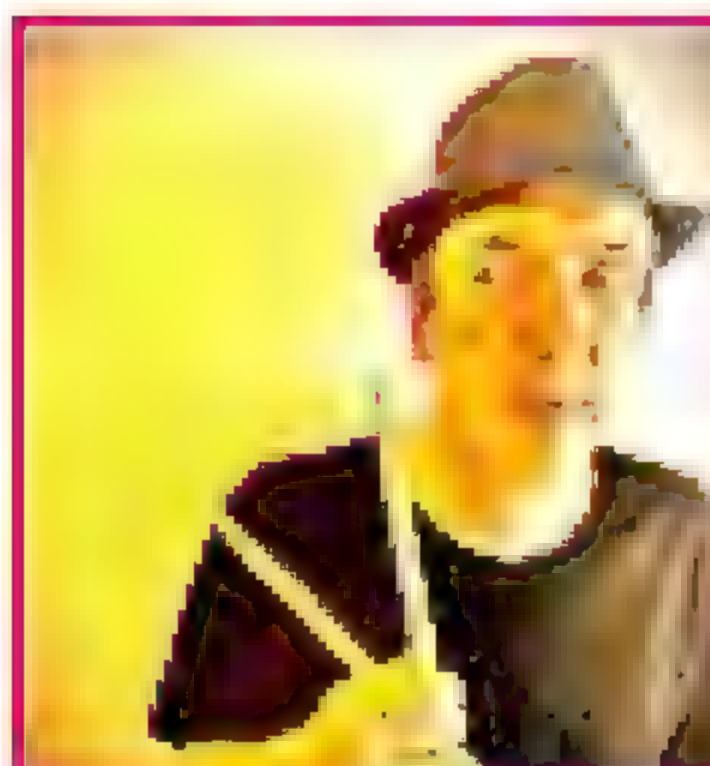
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £12



Paul Richards

**PAUL RICHARDS: MY FUNCTION BAND HELL**

Paul Richards literally can't stop drumming; he's performed all over the world, from huge gigs in China to grotty working men's clubs, posh corporate gigs to the whole of the UK toilet circuit whilst eating more Ginsters slices than could be considered healthy. A warm storytelling comedy show about why it's often quite degrading to play drums at someone else's wedding. \*\*\*\* (Scotsman).

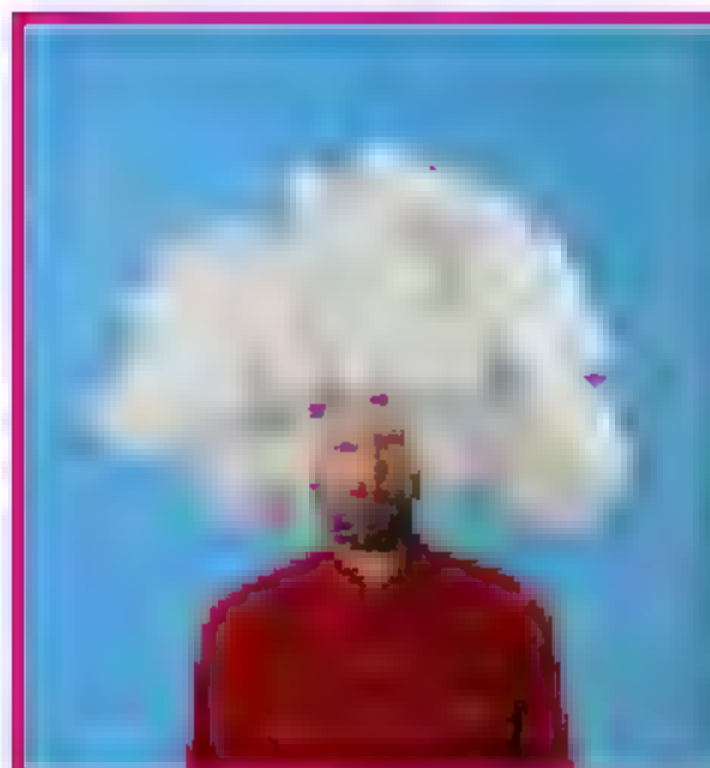
MUSICAL, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Wygston's House Map Ref: 65

Entry: £6 (£5)

**PAULY F TAYLOR: HEAD IN THE CLOUDS**

REGIONAL PREMIERE



Wonderfully inventive stand-up comedy from this distinctive and uniquely talented comedian. As seen on Harry Hill's Club Nite, Channel 4. 'Wildly entertaining and absolutely funny' Chortle "Should be required viewing for all wannabe surrealists" The Skinny "Call-backs, themes and clever wordplay dizzily weave in and out" The List "An impressive knack for both observational wit and quirky flights of fancy." The Evening Standard

[www.paultaylor.co.uk](http://www.paultaylor.co.uk)

STAND UP, SKETCH

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:00 (18:00)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want





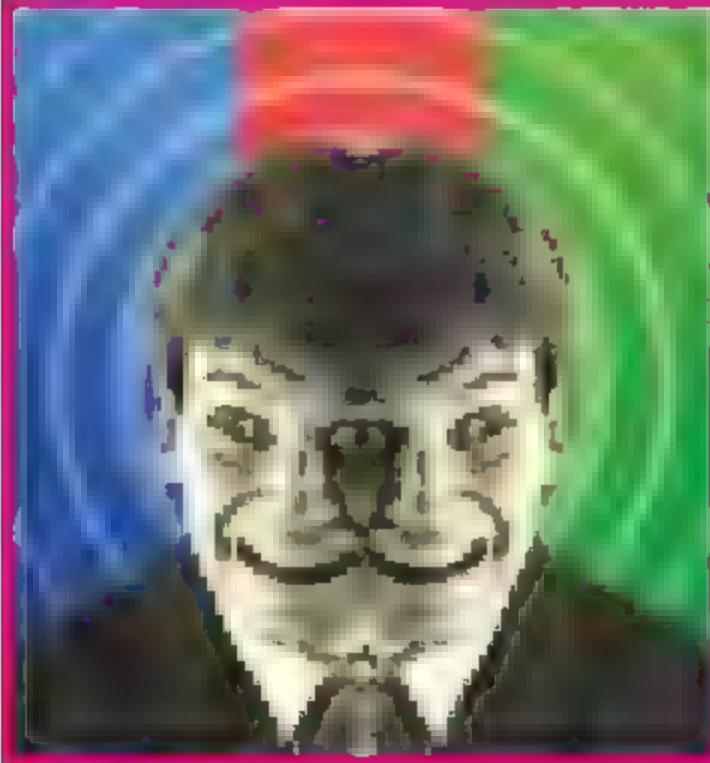
A Rush of Laughter presents

**PETE SELWOOD: UNINSPIRING**

Pete Selwood (BBC3 Laugh Lessons, the Emily Attack Show) was born with one hand. Rather than become a Paralympian or do lots of charity work, he's opted for a simpler, happier life. He's completely 'uninspiring' - and he's ok with that. But since becoming a dad, he's had to reassess. Uninspiring is a gag-heavy show full of self-reflection and insight into a lesser-seen side of disability.  
<https://arushoflaughter.co.uk/pete-selwood/>

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	18:00 (19:00)		
Venue:	Black Horse																			Map Ref:	9	Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



Peter Fleming presents

**PETER FLEMING MEETS DOCTOR WHO!**

Doctor Who is 60. In its life, the programme has encountered many problems. Most of them were the fault of retired children's TV pioneer Peter Fleming. Warped telly nostalgia from award-winning character comedian and Blue Peter badge winner Tom Burgess (as seen on BBC Two and heard on BBC Radio 4). \*\*\*\* 'A comic love letter to a lost world of Reithian values' Stewart Lee. Best Debut Show - Leicester Comedy Festival 2018.  
<tomburgesscomedy.co.uk/peter-fleming>

WORLD PREMIERE CHARACTER, ALTERNATIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:15 (20:15)		
Venue:	Duffy's Bar																			Map Ref:	17	Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want



Off The Kerb Productions present

**PETER RETHINASAMY: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Born and raised in Belfast to a Malaysian father and Irish mother, Peter is a comedian with hard hitting, punchy jokes and hilarious tales about his family, girlfriend, and growing up in Northern Ireland. As seen on Comedy Central live, Peter is the Winner of the London Comedy Store King Gong Competition, and also has his own podcast with fellow comedian and good friend Luke Craig "Luke and Pete talking sheet" which can be found on Apple podcast

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	18:00 (19:00)		
Venue:	PETER Pizzeria																			Map Ref:	38	Entry:	£6



Avalon Presents

**PHIL ELLIS: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Phil Ellis is an award-winning comedian who has entertained audiences of all ages with his amalgamation of off-beat observational material and physical comedy. Phil won the Fosters Edinburgh Comedy Award's panel prize in 2014 with his undisputed anarchic sleeper hit of a show Funnz and Gamez. He has written and starred in three series of his radio sitcom Phil Ellis is Trying (BBC Radio 4), with cast including Johnny Vegas, Sean Lock and Lee Mack.  
[twitter.com/thephilellis](https://twitter.com/thephilellis)

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	16:00 (17:00)		
Venue:	Duffy's Bar																			Map Ref:	17	Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want

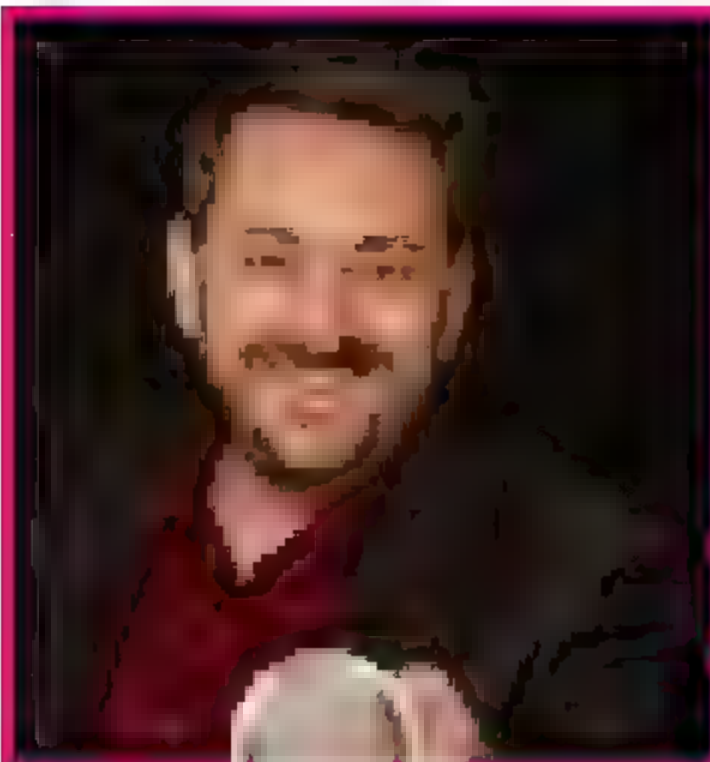


**PHIL GREEN: MILLENNIAL BUG (THE UNBEARABLE WEIGHT OF SOCIAL EXPECTATION)**

Nominated for best show in the Amused Moose Comedy Awards 2022 with a sold out run at the Edinburgh Fringe, Phil Green now brings us his latest work in-progress show. Are millennials the last generation to be trapped by parental expectation? Is a midlife crisis really a crisis? Are the Sugarbabes responsible for housing market turmoil? Phil attempts to answer all this and chat his love of dog based TV shows. As heard on BBC Radio 4.  
[www.philgreencomedy.com](http://www.philgreencomedy.com)

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (20:15)		
Venue:	The Globe																			Map Ref:	50	Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want



Philip Simon

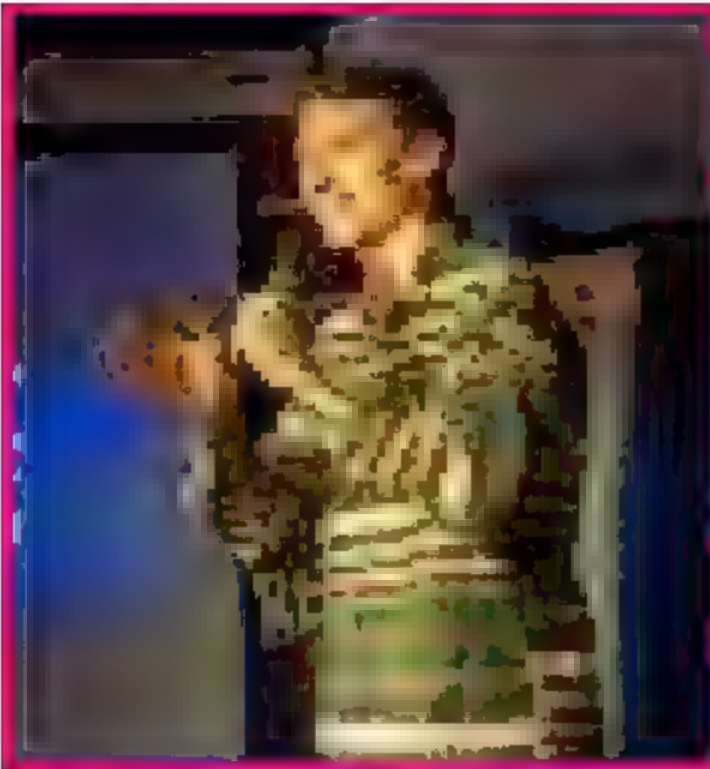
**PHILIP SIMON'S CRACKING JOKES (WIP)**

Join award-winning comedian Philip Simon as he tries to work out what's next. A work in progress stand up show from the 2015 Jewish Comedian of the Year and runner-up at the 2020 UK Pun Championships. As regularly featured on BBC radio & television, co-host of hit podcast Jew Talkin' To Me? and writer for Mock the Week, expect hilarious stories and plenty of jokes. "Never less than hilarious" (The Stage)  
[www.philipsimon.co.uk](http://www.philipsimon.co.uk)

WORLD PREMIERE STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:50 (21:50)		
Venue:	Grays@LCB Depot																			Map Ref:	23	Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want





Philipp Kostecky in association with NCF & Late Stage Comedy presents

WORLD PREMIERE



## PHILIPP KOSTECKY: ARE YOU DONE GOOFING?

International comedian and favourite child\* Philipp Kostecky combines superb writing with one of the most limber bodies on the circuit to create imaginative stand-up that absorbs the audience into his performances. A wonderfully funny high-energy hour of comedy about family, relationships, and being yourself. "Superb observations, confidence, and enough charisma to fill big rooms" - Russell Kane | \*citation needed=mother?

[www.philippkostecky.com](http://www.philippkostecky.com)

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £7 (£5)



The Doorstep Comedy Club presents

## PIED BULL COMEDY SPECIAL

We return for some more funny in Shepshed bringing a Stellar line up to the Pied Bull. Musical Comedy genius Christian Reilly headlines the show with Darren Harriott (As seen on Live at the Apollo, Mock the Week and Don't Hate the Playaz) and Mike Cox hosting the show. One more cracking act will join this hell of a line up.

<https://www.thedoorstepcomedyclub.com>

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (23:00)

Venue: Pied Bull Map Ref: 40

Entry: £12.50



Avalon Presents

## PIERRE NOVELLIE: WHY CAN'T I JUST ENJOY THINGS

Before the plague and WW3 I was a chortling, apple-cheeked blacksmith and now I am a scowling wretch in a tattered cloak. The show is observational comedy for people who think they don't like observational comedy. A mixture of high-brow and low-brow references from five-star receiving, award-winning, hit-podcasting, Frank Skinner-supporting Pierre Novellie. 'Packed full of belly-laughs' \*\*\*\*\* (Metro). 'Hilarious' \*\*\*\* (Times).

[www.pierrenovellie.com/](http://www.pierrenovellie.com/)

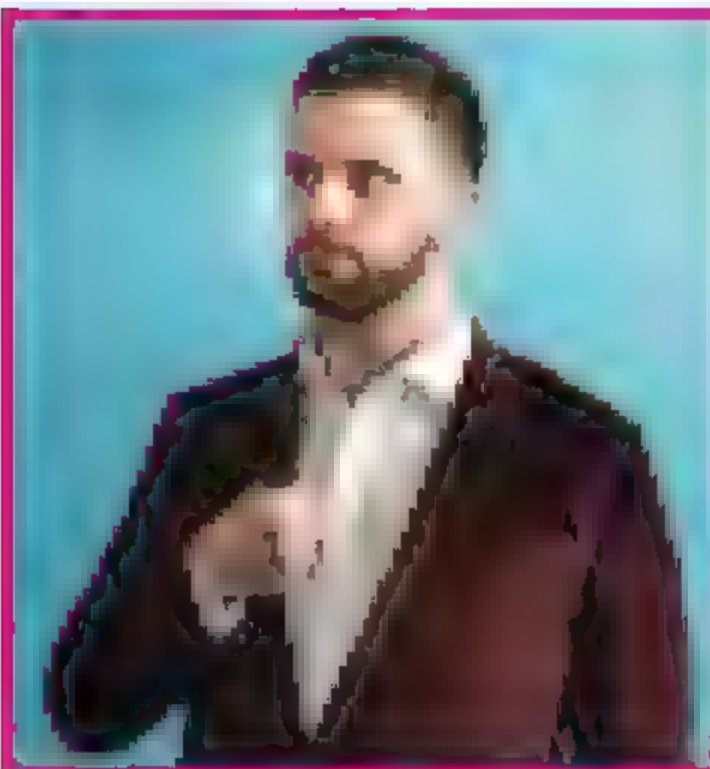
STAND UP

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Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £8 advance or Pay What You Want



Avalon Presents

## PIERRE NOVELLIE: WORK IN PROGRESS

"Pierre Novellie is one of the best up-and-coming comedians in the UK. He has recently been on The Mash Report (BBC2) and Stand Up Central (Comedy Central). His Edinburgh Fringe shows are consistently critically acclaimed, and he has twice placed in the top 20 best reviewed comedy shows across the festival. He has recently supported Frank Skinner on his West End run, and received three Chortle Award nominations. 'Dawn of a major talent' Guardian

[www.pierrenovellie.com/](http://www.pierrenovellie.com/)

STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 13:30 (14:30)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



## PLASTIC JEEZUS: LEAVE THEM WANTING LESS

WORLD PREMIERE



Winners of 'Best Newcomer' at the Musical Comedy Awards '21 and 'Circuit Breakers' at Leicester Comedy Festival '22, Simon & Aaron are Plastic Jeezus - a deadpan, ukulele-totin', musical comedy duo. They have been making waves up & down the country with their hilarious and often surreal original songs, all delivered in their own unique, straight-faced way. "There's nothing plastic about Plastic Jeezus. They're laugh out loud funny" - Eshaan Akbar

[www.plasticjeezus.co.uk](http://www.plasticjeezus.co.uk)

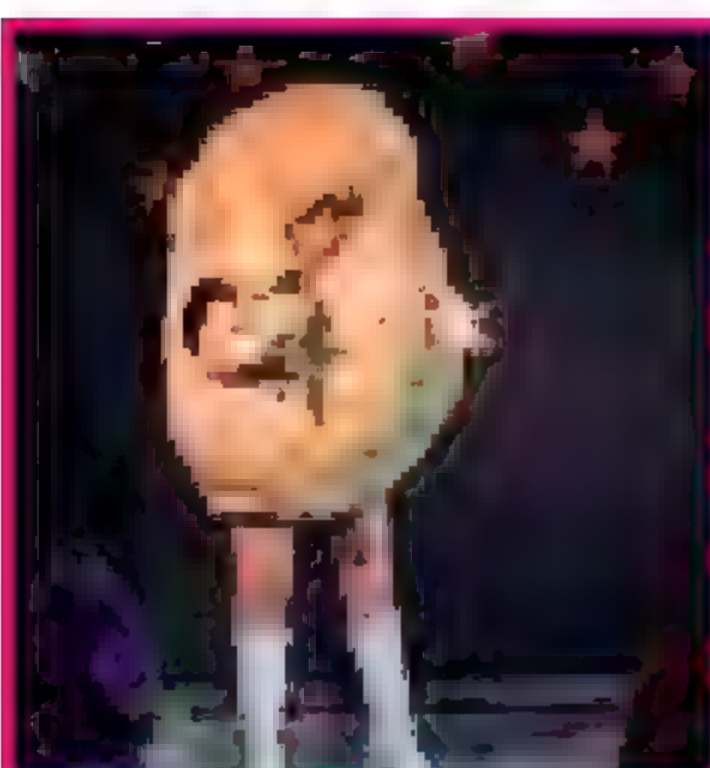
STAND UP, MUSICAL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £7 (£5)



Dan Nicholas

## POTATOHEAD

The "gloriously bonkers" Freddie Hayes presents Potatohead:- a starch-raving mad adaptation of Doctor Faustus... with puppets. This "charming and completely unique" production involves puppetry, karaoke and brilliantly cringeworthy potato puns. An original piece of new writing directed by Sh!t Theatre "The most perfect clown and a fantastic storyteller... I highly doubt anyone could top this" \*\*\*\* Everything Theatre

[freddiedoespuppets.com](http://freddiedoespuppets.com)

THEATRE, PUPPETRY

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4

Entry: £8 (£6)



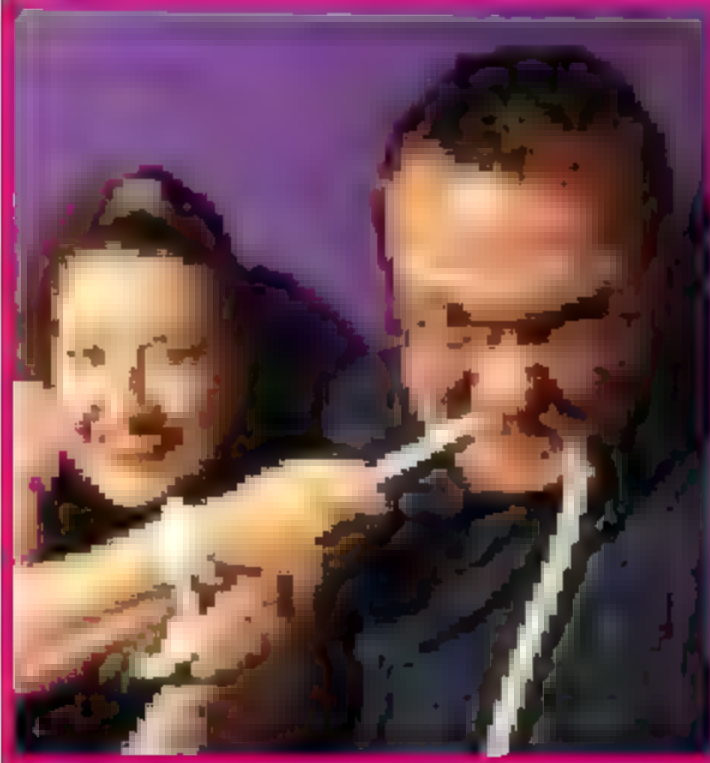


**POTTERVISION**

Four performers are all set to recreate Harry Potter and The Philosopher's Stone but, when two of them drop out on the day (and take all the props and costumes with them), Tom and Lukas have to go it alone and make do with the limited resources they have.  
[www.pottervision.com](http://www.pottervision.com)

SKETCH, ALTERNATIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	18:30 (19:30)
Venue:	The Big Difference Map Ref: 45																			Entry:	£10



Jokes On Us Present

**PRISON BISCUIT**

What is Prison Biscuit? Is it a) an irreverent sketch duo made up of husband-and-wife team Donna Scott and Ewan Kershaw? b) a one-foot height difference making the tango awkward c) all three? z) yes! Find out all this and that! (Brand new sketch comedy from the hosts of Apple Stand-up Top Ten podcast: Champagne Social Butterflies.)  
[www.donna-scott.co.uk](http://www.donna-scott.co.uk)

SKETCH

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	22:30 (23:30)
Venue:	Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



TripleCeePee & Proper Funny Comedy Present

**PROPER FUNNY COMEDY'S FESTIVAL LAUNCH PARTY**

The "Proper Funny Launch Party" returns to kick the Leicester Comedy Festival off with a bang! As always the show includes sets from a wide-variety of acts, ranging from previous Festival Award Winners/Nominees to some of the very finest emerging acts. All of which is held together seamlessly by Leicester's own Jason Neale (MC). The show has SOLD OUT for the last 7 years running so book your tickets early to avoid disappointment!

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:00 (22:30)
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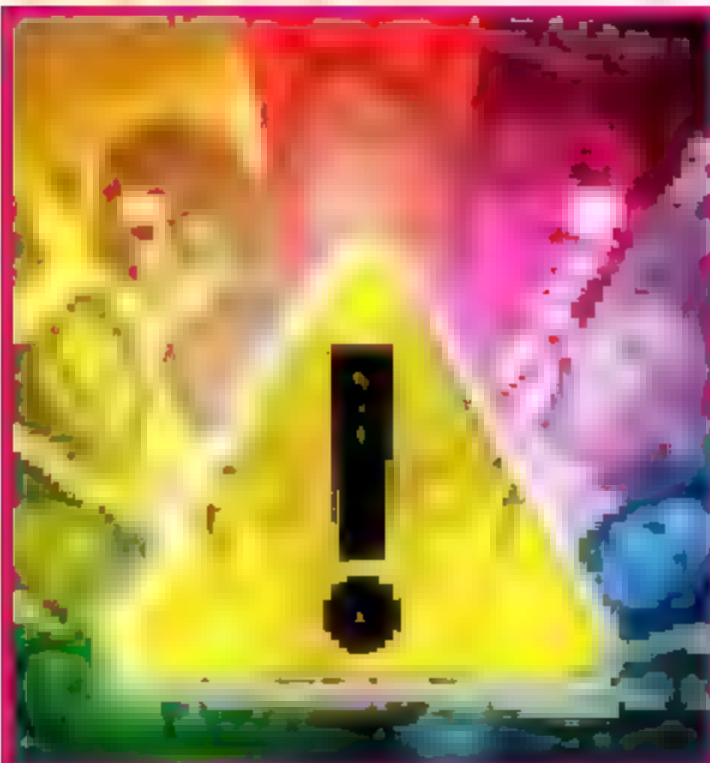
TripleCeePee and Proper Funny Comedy present

**PROPER FUNNY COMEDY'S SATURDAY SHOWCASE**

What better way to spend a Festival Saturday than seeing a number of the very best Professional Acts on the UK Comedy Circuit. Proper Funny bring some of the finest comedy shows to the Midlands throughout the year. For the last 7 years they've opened the Festival with a Sold-Out Launch Party and, once again, they're teaming up with Firebug and CCCP to bring some absolutely belting shows to Leicester Comedy Festival. Book Early!!!

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	21:00 (23:00)
Venue:	Firebug Map Ref: TBC																			Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want



Peril Design, in association with TripleCeePee & Proper Funny Comedy, presents

**PROPER FUNNY: PERIL DESIGN SPECIAL**

To celebrate 10 years of graphic design for live comedy, Peril Design has teamed up with TripleCeePee & Proper Funny to bring you an incredible line-up of comics, all of whom are Peril clients! Expect the likes of Rob Kemp, Eric Rushton, Adele Cliff, Jack Kirwan & Andrew McBurney, President Obonjo, Jack Gleadow, Louise Atkinson & host Jason Neale. More acts tbc, follow TripleCeePee socials for updates. Ticket sales raise money for Dementia UK.  
[linktr.ee/TripleCeePee](http://linktr.ee/TripleCeePee)

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:30 (23:00)
Venue:	Firebug Map Ref: TBC																			Entry:	£12 (£10)

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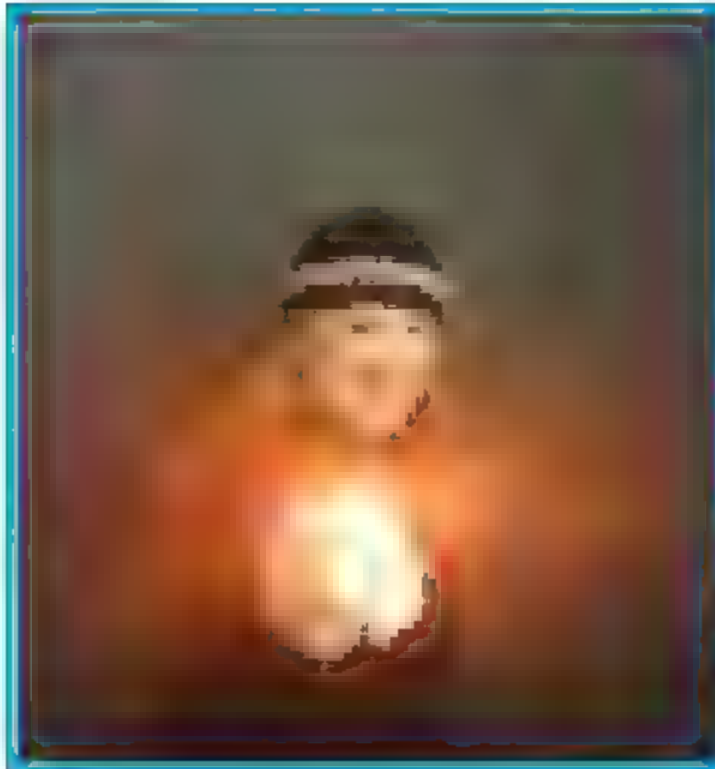
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### RACHEL CREEGER: PRAY IT FORWARD

Join award-winning Jewish comedian Rachel Creeger for a wander down a rocky road paved with the best of intentions. It's funny how things work out in the end! As seen on BBC One and NextUp Comedy, and heard on BBC Radio 2, BBC Radio 4, Radio 5 Live, and BBC Radio London. Rachel is co-host of internationally acclaimed podcast "Jew Talkin' To Me?"

[www.rachelcreeger.com](http://www.rachelcreeger.com)

REGIONAL PREMIERE



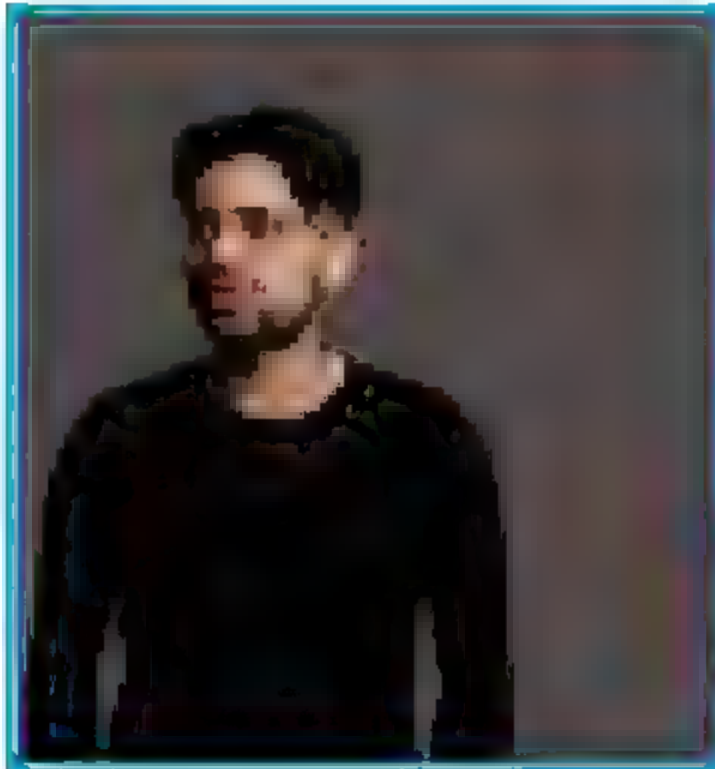
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: The Globe Map Ref: 50

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Jokes on Us

### RAHUL SOMIA AND FRIENDS

Leicester-born-and-bred Rahul Somia wants to show off the fact that he has friends so come join him in this compilation of some of the best stand-ups at the festival.

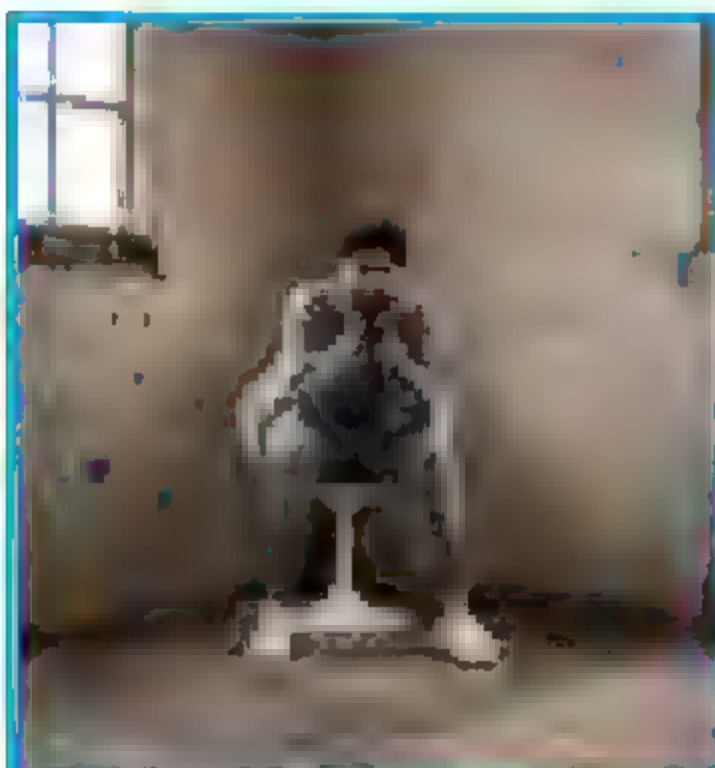
STAND UP, MIXED BILL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Jokes on Us present

### RAHUL SOMIA: TUESDAY DATE (WORK IN PROGRESS)

Rahul met a girl at the Edinburgh Fringe - classic! But why is she still on his mind? Why is Rahul so unlucky in love? It's probably because he is a Tuesday date. But what on Earth does that mean? Join Leicester-born-and-bred Rahul as he analyses his love life, cross-examining every detail from his Indian heritage to his career as a teacher.

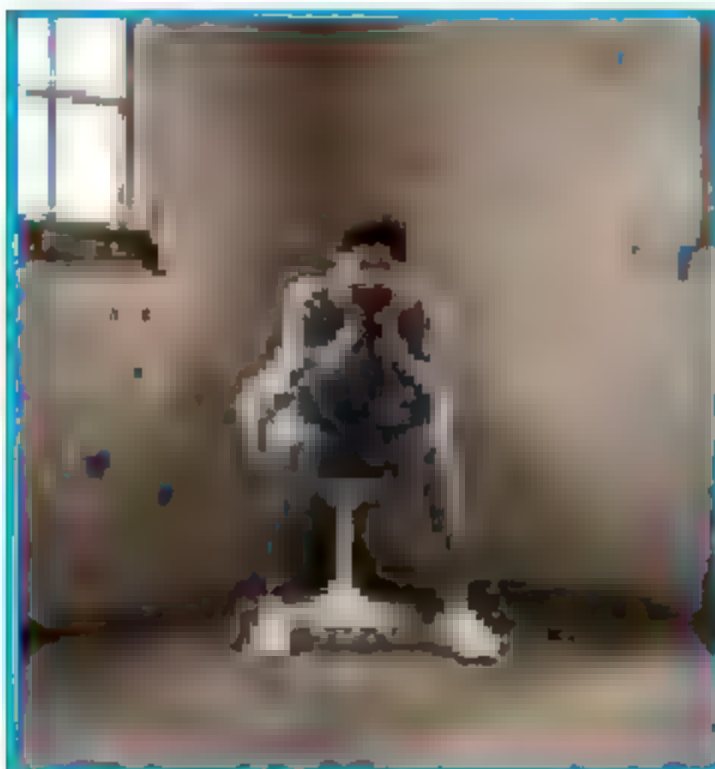
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 15:45 (16:45)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



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STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



United Agents present

### RAJIV KARIA: GALLIVANT

Rising star Rajiv Karia wants to be your friend. You really should support your friends, especially when they are doing their highly anticipated Leicester Comedy Festival hour. As seen on Lazy Susan (BBC Three) and Comedy Central Live. Speaking gently and joking hard. Writer for Have I Got News For You and The Now Show. Tour Support for Olga Koch. \*\*\*\*\* "Carefully crafted material and flawless delivery" Why Now. \*\*\*\* "Darn delightful." Skinny.

[twitter.com/rajivkaria](https://twitter.com/rajivkaria)

SOLO SHOW, STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £10 advance or Pay What You Want



Phil McIntyre Live Proudly Present

### RAY BRADSHAW: DEAF COM 1

International award-winning comic, Ray, spent 2021/22 touring the UK as John Bishop's handpicked support act, having previously toured with Frankie Boyle in 2019. Ray was the first comedian to ever win a Scottish Culture Award and is a regular host of Scotland's most popular radio show, Off The Ball. All of his shows are performed in both BSL and English. Clever, charming and very funny! Critical acclaim from critics and fans alike.

REGIONAL PREMIERE



STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 18:30 (19:30)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £12 (£10)





Furthest from the Sea presents

**REBEKKA TURNER: BEX'S CHAINSAW MOUSSAKA**

Bex's Chainsaw Moussaka is a stand-up show with a bit of everything but without the usual stereotypical cliches, and if you're lucky there'll be some meaty layers between those aubergines! Expect jokes, wordplay, characters and impressions exploring Bex's journey into awkwardness, past and present day. "Darkly nonsensical" - The Londonist 2021  
<https://www.rebekkaturnercomedy.com/>

STAND UP, CHARACTER

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:30 (21:30)
Venue:	Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30																			Entry:	£5



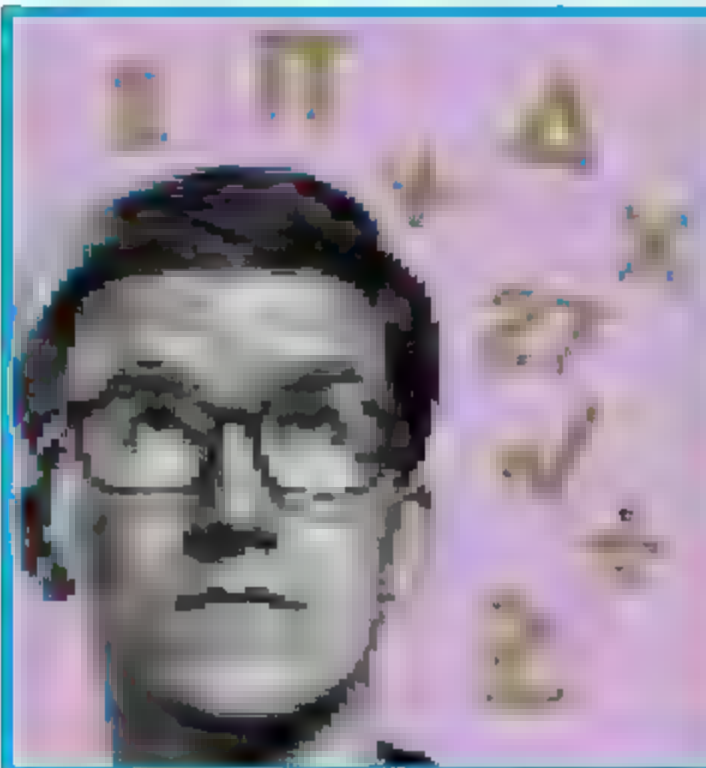
Ride Leicester present

**RED LIGHT COMEDY CLUB**

Comedy in The Bike Park! A mixed bill of some of the best festival acts. Compered by our very own Cycling Csar. Join us deep in the labyrinth basement of Less-tar Town Hall, the only venue with free concierge cycle parking. The velvet revolutionary heart of active travel with 10 comedians, 3 shows & £5 tickets! (Thanks to the support of Santander Cycles Leicester, all ticket income will be donated to local foodbanks).

STAND UP, CABARET

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:00 (20:30)
Venue:	Town Hall Bike Park Map Ref: 60																			Entry:	£5



Kyle D Evans presents

**RETURN OF THE MATH(S) WITH KYLE D EVANS**

Award-winning entertainer Kyle D Evans returns with another fast-paced hour of inclusive maths-based family fun. Expect madcap demos, loads of crowd participation and mind-melting mathematics. Age 7+ recommended. 'Fun, accessible and interactive; a treasure chest of mathematical delights' (TheWeeReview.com).  
[www.kyledevans.com](http://www.kyledevans.com)

CHILDREN'S, FAMILY

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	12:30 (13:30)
Venue:	The Big Difference Map Ref: 45																			Entry:	£5



Rhymes Improv

**RHYMES AGAINST HUMANITY - THE IMPROVISED MUSICAL**

'Really funny. Totally ad libbed with prompts from the audience. I don't know how they do it. Would see them again and absolutely recommend anyone else to' Rhymes Against Humanity is the Midlands' hilarious, highly acclaimed improvised musical. Each show is a one-off piece of musical theatre, created in the moment. You give them a title, they give you a fully improvised musical. This is improvised comedy at its most thrilling.  
[rhymesimprov.com](http://rhymesimprov.com)

IMPROV, MUSICAL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (20:30)
Venue:	Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61																			Entry:	£10 (£8)

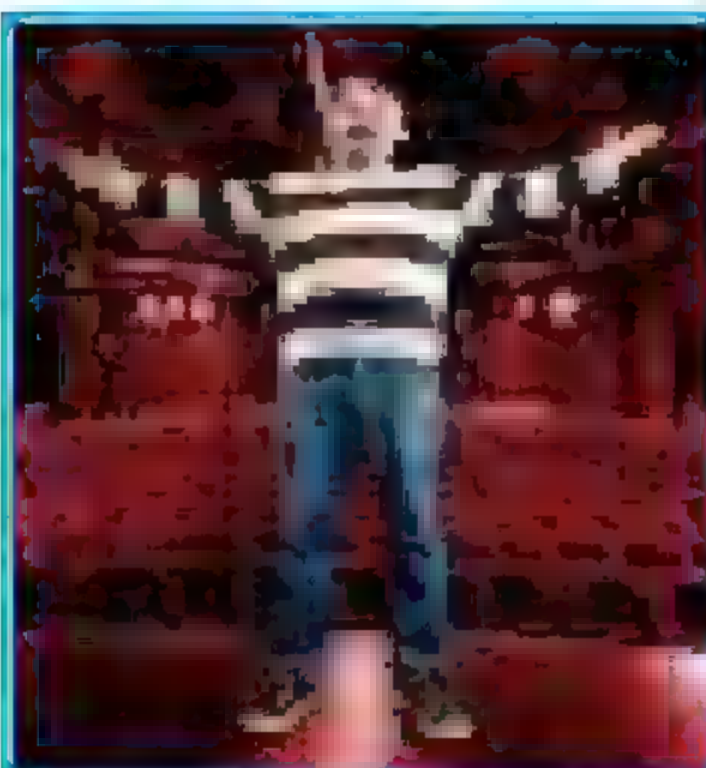


**RICH SPALDING: LOOK WHO LOVES ME**

A work-in-progress comedy show about being loved. And how sometimes, that's quite hard, actually. This show is about what it means to be loved, how it feels to be loved, and how on earth we can go about carrying the crushing weight of that wonderful burden. Rich Spalding is a polite and bespectacled comedian. Runner-up, Get Up Stand Up 2018. "Razor sharp, understated brilliance" - Tom Ward "My favourite comedian" - Eshaan Akbar

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	17th 19:30 (20:30)   24th 21:30 (22:30)
Venue:	The Globe Map Ref: 50																			Entry:	£5 (£3)



Avalon Presents

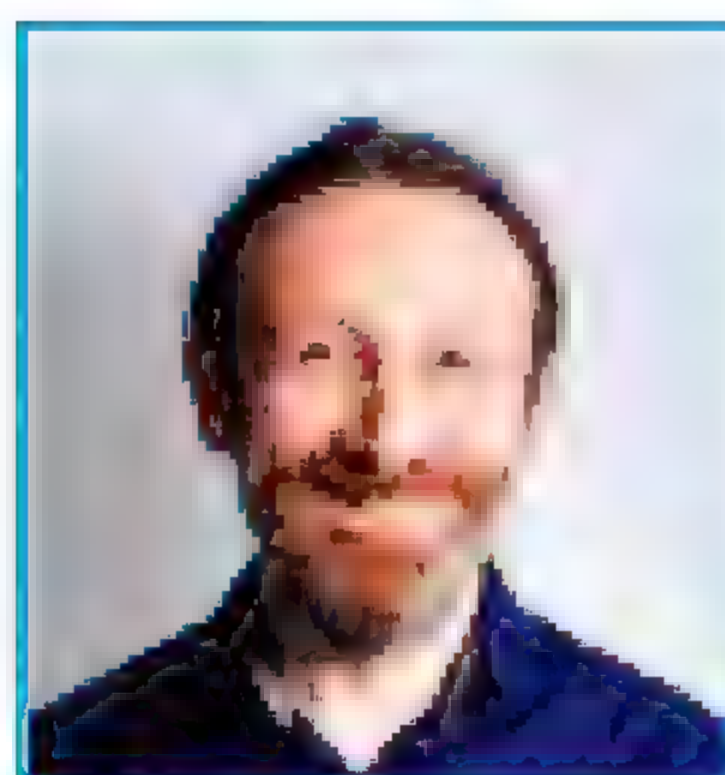
**RICHARD HERRING'S LEICESTER SQUARE THEATRE PODCAST**

Richard Herring returns to Leicester Comedy Festival for his famous podcast, RHLSTP! Richard Herring has enjoyed phenomenal success as a writer and performer and is an innovator in the world of podcasts. Join the "Podfather" (Guardian), "King of the Internet" (Time Out) and "The UK's online comedy pioneer" (The Times) as he chats with hilarious star guests for a special one-off show at the festival.  
[richardherring.com](http://richardherring.com)

PODCAST, STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	15:30 (17:45)
Venue:	The Y Theatre Map Ref: 88																			Entry:	£15





Jokes On Us present

**RICHARD PULSFORD: SHORT JOKE TELLER**

One-liners and light-hearted jokes from the UK Pun Championships Winner 2022 and Scottish Comedian of the Year Runner-up 2021. In Top Ten Jokes Edinburgh Fringe 2019, 2021 & 2022. "His show... goes a long way to cementing his reputation... an assured performer... quick, original and funny" \*\*\*\* rating - Broadway Baby 2022 "Reminiscent of a master like Milton Jones, his (justified) confidence in his material shone through" - The Scotsman 2021

[www.richardpulsford.com](http://www.richardpulsford.com)

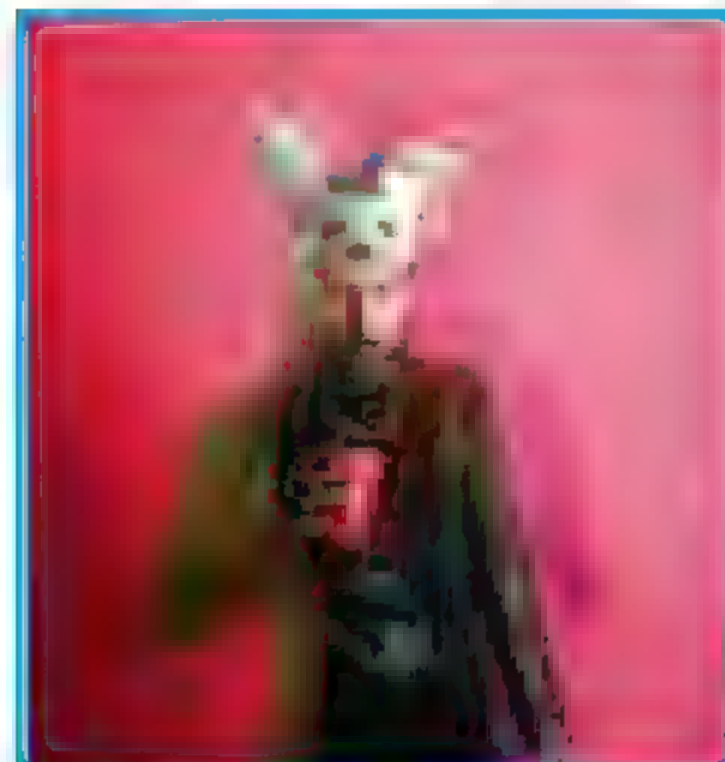
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 **14** 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Ingenious Fools &amp; Andrew Roach Talent Ltd

**RICHARD STOTT: AFTERPARTY**

The runner up in Dave's Jokes of the Fringe 2019 talks about stripping down for a documentary, club nights that turned into afterparties and then into crime scenes, and finally starting to grow up and beginning to like the adult he's become. All while living with a disability... perhaps. As seen on The Stand-Up Sketch Show (ITV2), The Times' Jokes of the Fringe 2022, "Always engaging" Chortle, "Definitely one to watch out for" \*\*\*\* Broadway Baby

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

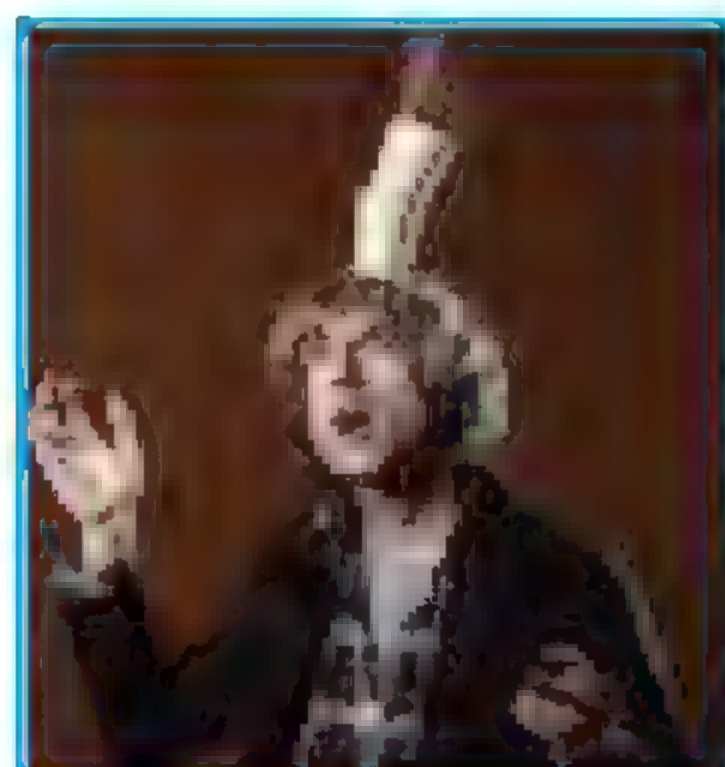
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Time: 20:30 (21:25)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £8

REGIONAL PREMIERE



Jokes On Us present

**RICHARD TODD: TRANSFERABLE SKILLS**

With a busted knee, a burst eardrum, heroic reveries replaced by painkillers and words like 'ouch', 'pardon' and 'I'm down here!' Todd has one last chance to reinvent himself, and just enough body parts to do it. A new show from award winning standup Richard Todd. \*\*\*\* The Scotsman, Chortle, The List, The Skinny, Fest

[richardtoddcomedy.com](http://richardtoddcomedy.com)

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 **18** 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Unnecessary Pretence Comedy Productions

**RICHARD WRIGHT: THE NICEST MAN IN COMEDY**

Richard Wright has often been described as the nicest man in comedy. Is he? That's not for him to say. Except for in the title of this show, content and promotional material of this show. But only those 3 ways is it for him to say. The 4 star, 5 time comedy competition semi finalist returns to Leicester Comedy Festival with a brand new show of comedy. Nice comedy. Good comedy. Sit. Ok now he's talking to a dog.

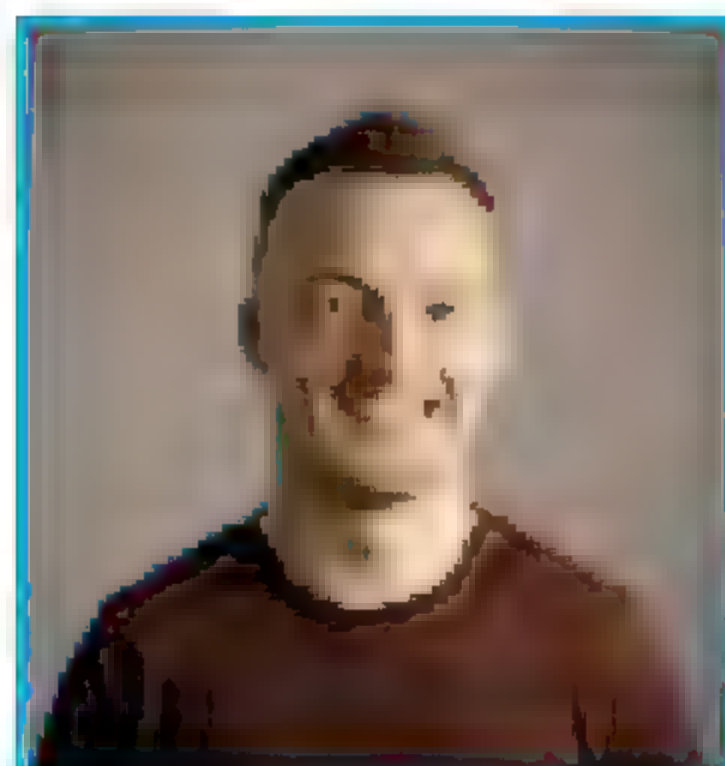
STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Time: 18:00 (19:00)

Venue: The Globe Map Ref: 50

Entry: FREE



Ingenious Fools &amp; Andrew Roach Talent Ltd

**RICKY BALSHAW: DARK HORSE (WIP)**

BBC New Comedy Award semi-finalist Ricky Balshaw is a former Paralympic, World Championship and European Championship dressage medallist, and sports pundit turned stand up comedian with a penchant for dark humour. Join Ricky for a reliably twisted and hilarious look at disability, riding horses and navigating through worlds he really shouldn't have been in. As seen on BBC One, BBC Three and Channel 4.

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

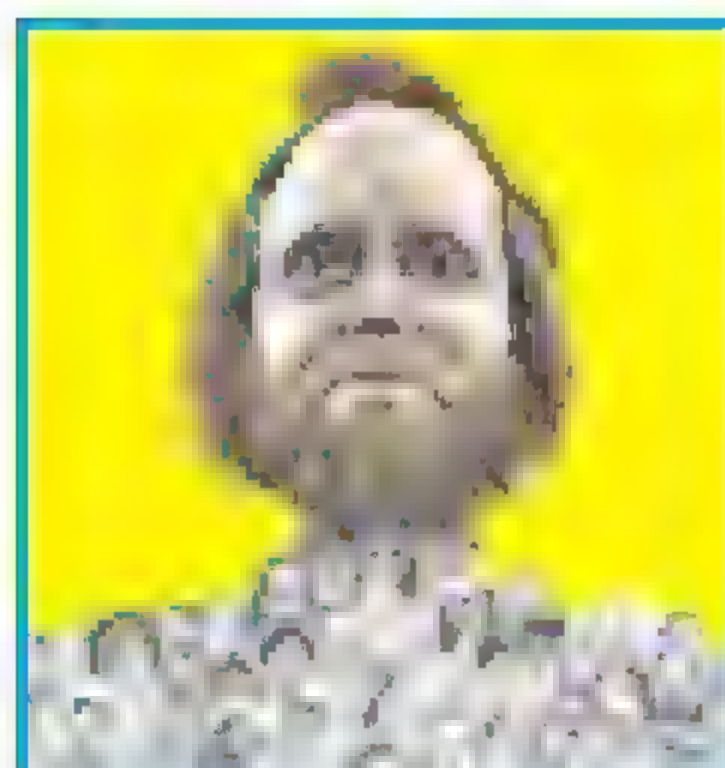
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Time: 21:15 (22:05)

Venue: The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want

WORLD PREMIERE



Avalon present

**ROB AUTON: THE CROWD SHOW**

'The Crowd Show' is a comedy/theatre/spoken word show about crowds by award-winning writer, actor and podcaster Rob Auton. 'The Crowd Show' is a show suitable for anybody who wants to be in the crowd for this show. A genuine original. Poetical, philosophical, humane, completely charming and funny to boot. The Guardian Makes laughter out of wonder and brings us all together. We need him. The Scotsman

[robauton.co.uk](http://robauton.co.uk)

SOLD SHOW, SPOKEN WORD

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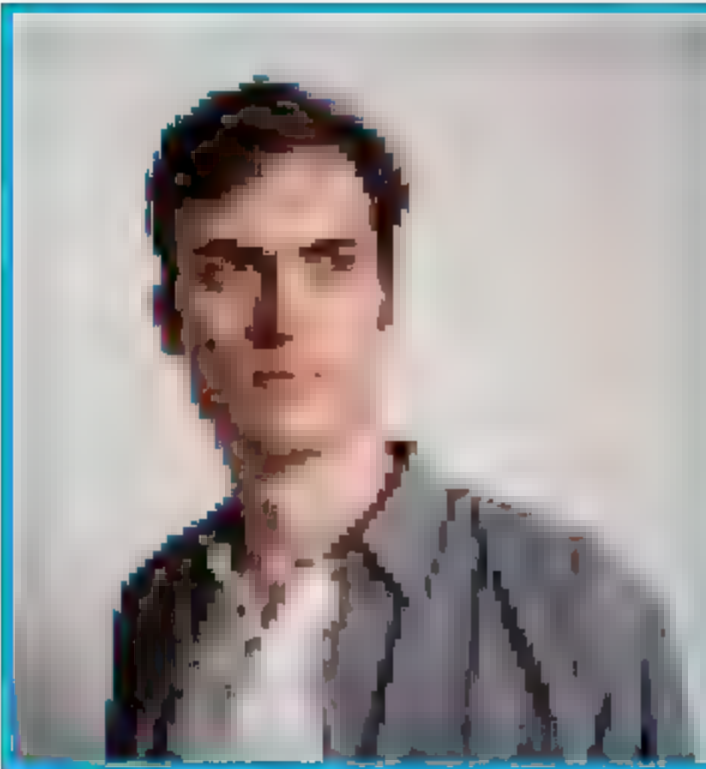
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Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £12







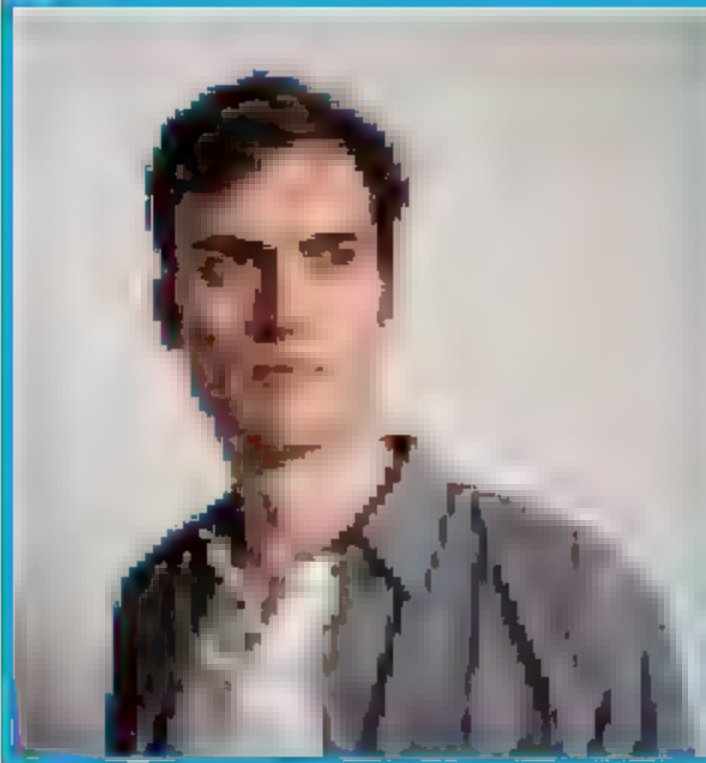
Jokes On Us Present

ROB KEMP: YOU MAY BE WONDERING WHY I HAVE GATHERED YOU HERE (WORK IN PROGRESS)

I have notes. You have ears. Let's combine these in a beautiful communion of Work in Progress comedy. Set your expectations to 'needs a polish'. Rob won a bunch of stuff for a thing he wrote, so you can rely on this being decent. 'Kicks ass!' - \*\*\*\* - Chortle 'Absolutely hilarious.' - \*\*\*\* - Entertainment Now  
Leicester Best Show Winner / Chortle Best Newcomer Winner / Ed Fringe Newcomer Nominated

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	17:50 (18:50)
Venue:	Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



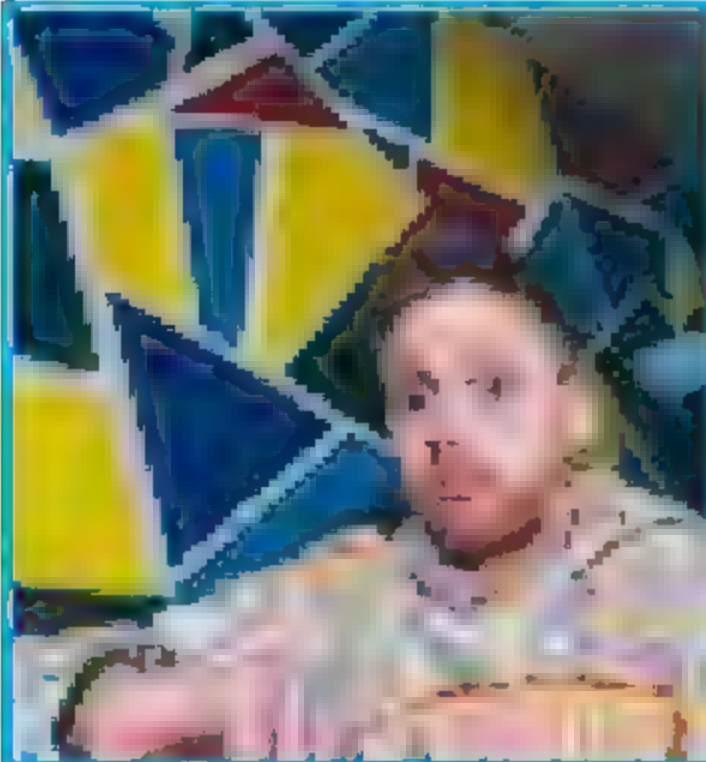
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STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Venue:	Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



ROBIN GRAINGER: ROBIN TIME

Come and see the globally viral sold-out success story of the 2022 Edinburgh festival, featured in 60+ news outlets worldwide. A feel-good, hilarious stand up show about using time wisely. Over 1 million views on the BBC website. Recommended by Kevin Bridges and Iain Stirling. "It was every good thing it should be"- Kate Copstick, The Scotsman "A festival legend"- BBC "A hot ticket... A solid comedian with something to say" \*\*\*\*- One4Review  
<https://linktr.ee/robingrainger>

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	18:00 (19:00)
Venue:	The Y Theatre Map Ref: 59																			Entry:	£10



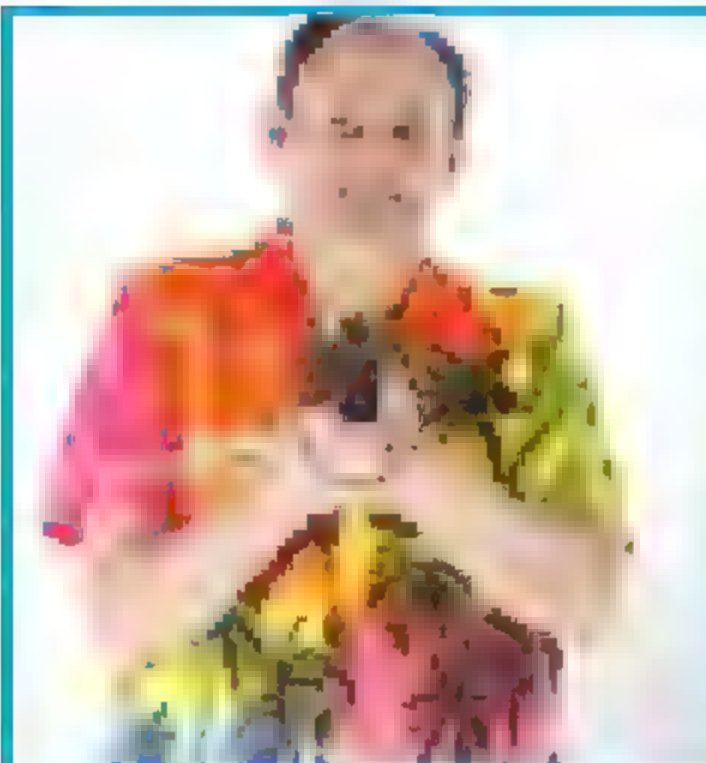
Jokes On Us Presents

ROCKCENTRAL COMEDY CLUB SHOWCASE

Rockcentral celebrates another year, entertaining audiences in numerous rooms across the East Midlands. Join regular host and co-founder of Rockcentral Promotions - Anthony Williams - as he brings you 4 of the best up and coming acts that have graced our stages this last year. This mixed bill showcase represents the very best of talented acts we've had the pleasure of working with. Guaranteed belly laughs.

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:45 (21:45)
Venue:	The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



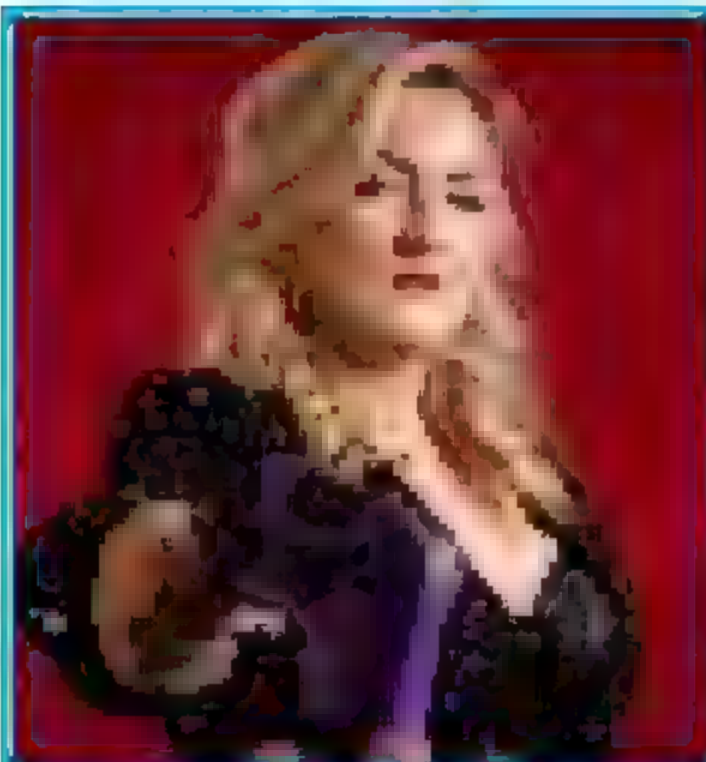
Monster Comedy Present

ROGER SWIFT'S MACHINE PUN RELOADED

UK Pun finalist & writer of one of Dave's Best Jokes of the Fringe; Roger Swift is back with another updated version of his whirlwind rollercoaster ride of non-stop corny jokes, puns, one-liners, wordplay, home-made props and PowerPoint slides. Expect intentionally bad jokes told by a shameless wazzock, going out of his way to be daft. DO NOT expect slick observational comedy or cutting-edge satire. 'He's a demented genius' (Notts Comedy Review)  
[www.tiktok.com/@rogerswiftprop](http://www.tiktok.com/@rogerswiftprop)

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:00 (20:00)
Venue:	King Richard III Map Ref: 29																			Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want



ROSIE SINGS - MY VAGINA'S PRICELESS!

Whether you've had, seen or heard of a vagina, Rosie is here to remind you that Google is not a doctor and to justify her own urinary incontinence. Featuring unconditionally honest tales and knockout vocals from the born circus girl with the 'Voice of an Angel and the Mouth of a Sailor!' "A one woman show with a cracking commitment to vocal excellence" - Voice Mag "Hysterical audience interactions and stunning voice" - Theatre Scotland  
[www.rosie-sings.com](http://www.rosie-sings.com)

CABARET, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (20:30)
Venue:	Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61																			Entry:	£7





TripleCeePee Presents

**ROYAL MALE: BEST NEWCOMERS**

Do you like comedy? This is like comedy. Royal Male are a new collective. We are definitely not Consignia. Anything can happen and often does as during this debut show Royal Male prove they are the deserving of the accolade best newcomers

**WORLD PREMIERE**

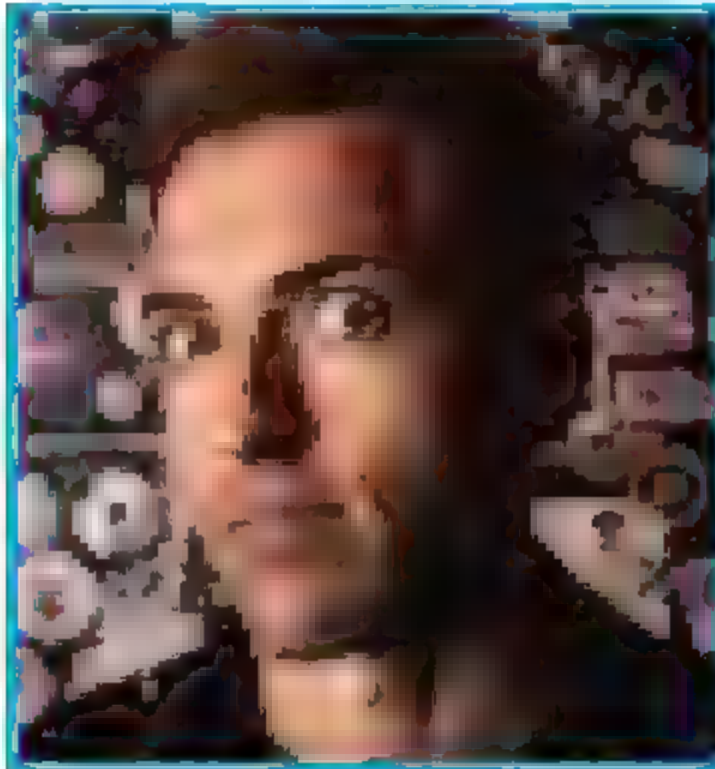
CLOWN, IMPROV

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Time: 22:00 (23:00)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



UTC presents

**RUSSELL HICKS: NEXT LEVEL**

Russell Hicks hosted an 'immersive' reality show for a major platform. Thrown into a bizarre metaverse where facial augmentation and social media influencers are de rigueur, he watches society chase unnatural ideals. When does self improvement become self harm? Are we trapped in an immersive reality? With fearless honesty and hilarious insight, this first scripted show from Hicks (Best Show Nom. 2021) explores the Next Level. But at what cost?

<http://www.russellhicks.co.uk/>
**WORLD PREMIERE**

STAND UP, SPOKEN WORD

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 18:00 (19:00)

Venue: Black Horse Map Ref: 9

Entry: £8



Jokes On Us Present

**RYAN MOLD: THE GENERATION GAP (WIP)**

In the mid-80s, at 6 months old, my grandparents become my legal guardians. They showered me with love, but being guided through life by two 70-year-olds with simply no understanding of modern living was a mixture of confusion and embarrassment. I was having to take advice, navigate school and grow into a man from a generation who are clearly not up to date with the 90s trends of the internet, fashion and modern cooking.

[www.ryanmold.com](http://www.ryanmold.com)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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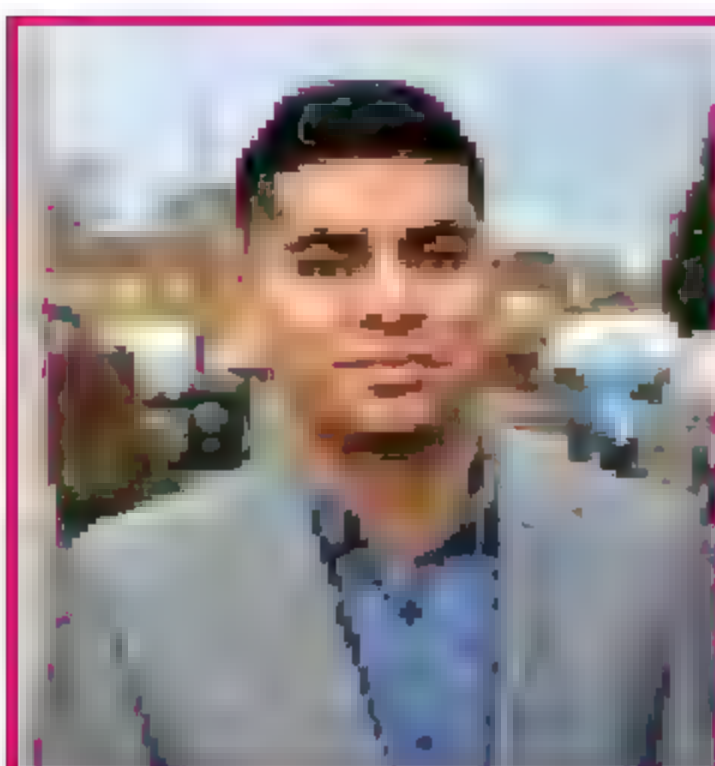
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Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want

**BE PART OF OUR TEAM!**

It's the festival's 30th anniversary! If you want to experience behind the scenes and be part of what we do in a very big year, then why not volunteer with us?  
Info at: [volunteers@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk](mailto:volunteers@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk)



Jokes On Us Present

**SACHIN KUMARENDRAN: THE SLIGHTLY DARK KNIGHT CRITICISES**

A new show from award-winning comic Sachin Kumarendran; comedy writer for the Labour Party 2017 General Election Campaign, and star of BBC One's This is My House, Sachin was a Finalist in the national competitions Manford's New Act and Leicester Square Theatre New Comedian of the Year, and was shortlisted for the BBC New Comedy Award. As Seen on: BBC One, BBC New comedy Award, Standup.tv, Next Up, "A lot to enjoy in his downbeat tales" Chortle

**REGIONAL PREMIERE**

STAND UP

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Time: 21:15 (22:15)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



F\*\*ked Up World Presents

**SAJEELA KERSHI: WHAT HAPPENED TO FREE SPEECH & RAH-RAH SKIRTS? (WIP)**

Multi award winning comic delves into post pandemic geo politics; War on culture, land & Terf wars in the loos! WARNING: Contains pinch of Cultural Guffaws, generous sprinkling of Jokery Wokery. Hearts & Snowflakes may melt. As seen/heard Various BBC Radio/TV, ITV, C4, Comedy Central, GBN Headliners/Free Speech Nation, TalkTV + more. 'Smart, funny, with a Mischievous glint' (Times) 'Kersh has the power to make you laugh & cry' (Skinny)

<https://martintwomeymedia.zenfolio.com/sajeelakershi>
**WORLD PREMIERE**

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Time: 18:00 (19:00)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want





Jokes On Us Present

REGIONAL PREMIERE

**SAMANTHA DAY: CAREERING**

Learn to live better by behaving worse. The Comedy Store King Gong Winner tells you how to succeed without all the hassle of hard work, how caring and pretending to care are basically the same thing and why sleeping your way to the top is unjustly maligned. 'The real deal, a fresh voice tempered by a life full of square peg experience' (Nick Page, English Comedian of the Year)

[Samanthadaytime.com](http://Samanthadaytime.com)

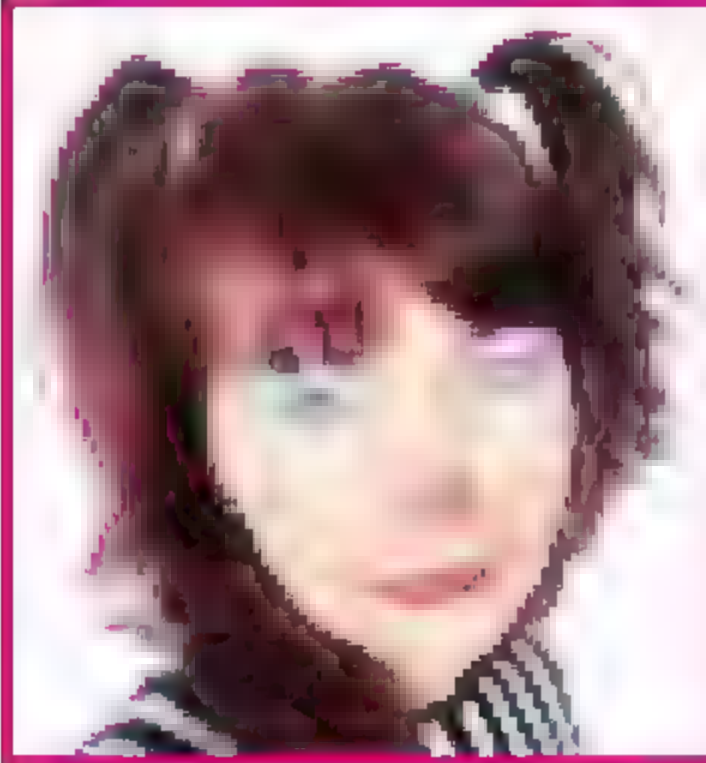
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Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: 45 West Map Ref: 2

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Furthest from the Sea in association with Love Muffin Productions presents

REGIONAL PREMIERE

**SAMANTHA PRESSDEE: CLOWN PRAY LOVE**

You're never too old to achieve your dreams! This prodigal story of true love, reaching for the stars and sacred transformation has an uplifting message for everyone! "Excellent storytelling, very funny" \*\*\*\* (One4Review) "Cheeky jokes intertwined with a startlingly honest account of her struggles" \*\*\*\* (Bunbury Magazine) "cultural butterfly" \*\*\*\* (Mumble Comedy) Seen on GB News, heard on Talk Radio and host of the Resurrecting Romance Podcast.

[www.samanthapressdee.co.uk](http://www.samanthapressdee.co.uk)

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: £10 (£8)



Avalon presents

**SARA BARRON: WORK IN PROGRESS**

"Star of Live at the Apollo, Would I Lie to You, and Frankie Boyle's New World Order, Sara Barron returns to throw some new ideas at the wall. 'New ideas' may include The Joy of Eavesdropping and A Deep-Seeded Fear of the Countryside, but no promises. It should be a sweaty, entertaining mess regardless."

[twitter.com/sarabarron](https://twitter.com/sarabarron)

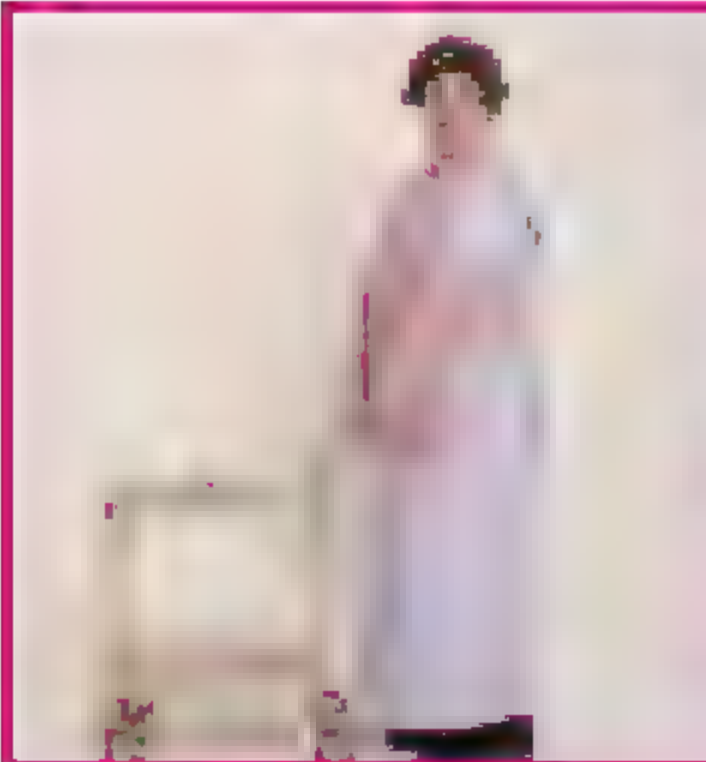
STAND UP

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Time: 14:00 (15:00)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: 20

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Jokes on Us Present

**SARAH JOHNSON: CRAFTERAFTERNOON CHAT WITH CAROL**

Self-acclaimed Craftaholic Carol has been interviewing the creative minds of multiple Crafters on the Interweb for weeks now and has decided to bring her Crafternoon Chat Talk Show to a Live Audience. Special guests, topical chat, live music, master crafting and take-home skills you never wanted. "Johnson is an excellent performer" 4.5\*\*\*\* (One4Review) [sarahjohnson.co.uk/](http://sarahjohnson.co.uk/)

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CHARACTER

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Time: 16:20 (17:20)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Chambers Touring Proudly Presents

**SARAH KEYWORTH: LOST BOY**

If comedy equals tragedy plus time, then boy, this is going to be good. As seen on Live at the Apollo and Dark Horse (Amazon Prime Special). Edinburgh Comedy Award Best Newcomer Nominee. "Powerful, poignant and achingly funny" \*\*\*\*\* Herald. "Utterly engaging" \*\*\*\* Telegraph . \*\*\*\* Times. \*\*\*\* Scotsman. \*\*\*\* Chortle.

<https://www.sarahkeyworth.co.uk/>

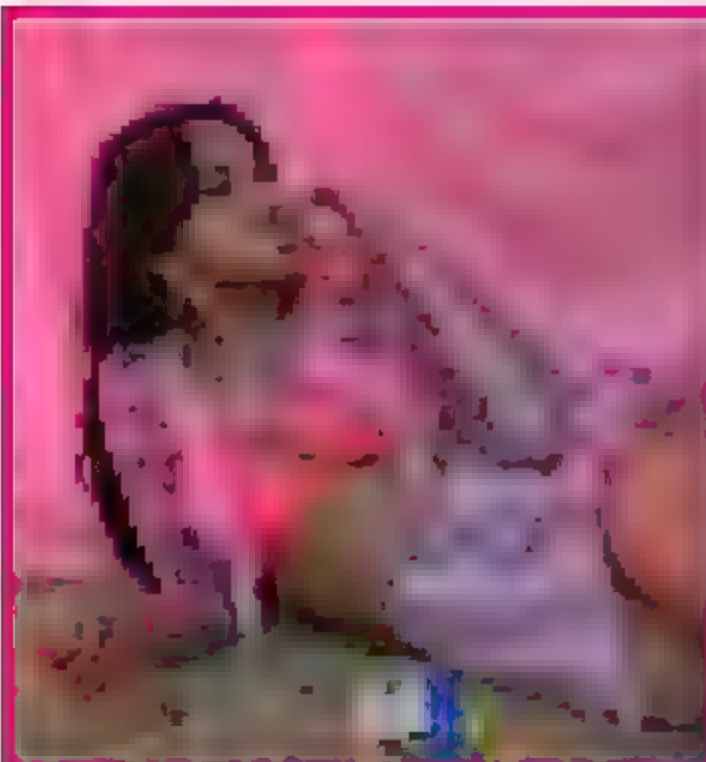
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: BrewDog Map Ref: 10

Entry: £13.50 (£11.50)



NCF & Late Stage Comedy present

REGIONAL PREMIERE

**SARAH ROBERTS: DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM? (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

A horrid girl doing a horrid new show. In opposite land!!! Sarah will actually be extremely nice and will explore extremely important and timely topics such as "Was I Henry VIII in my past life?" "Would you still fancy me if I was a worm?" and "Can I vape on stage?" Also maybe some stuff about death. "Phenomenal new talent, destined for stardom!" - Catherine Bohart Soho Theatre Labs Plus alumni 2022. BBC New Comedy Award Nominee 2022

<https://www.sarahjroberts.com>

STAND UP

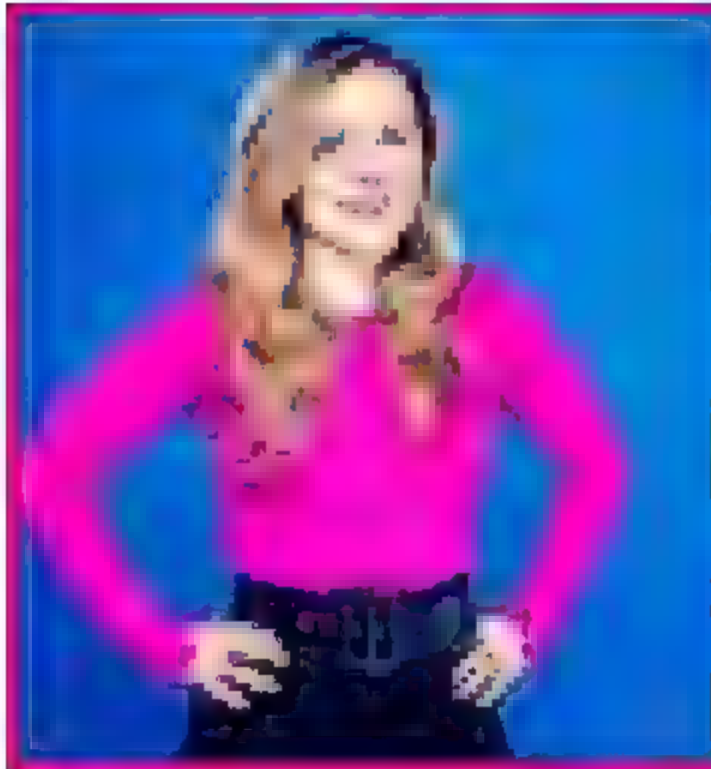
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Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £7 (£5)





### SASHA ELLEN: WORK IN PROGRESS

A brand new hour of comedy from the hilariously funny, aggressively nerdy and down right adorable Sasha Ellen. "Honest, hilarious and horrifying... the comedy future looks good for Ellen" Canal-St. "Smart, self-possessed and with great heart... comedy done well" \*\*\*\* TheStudent "This is a comedian you need to keep an eye out for" \*\*\*\* Phoenix Remix. Material heard on BBC Radio 4 Extra. Nominated for Best New Show at Leicester Comedy Festival 2022

[www.sashaellen.com](http://www.sashaellen.com)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: 45 West Map Ref: 2

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Philip Simon

### SCHOOL'S OUT COMEDY CLUB

If your kids like telling jokes, then the hilariously silly, award-winning School's Out Comedy Club, hosted by Philip Simon is ideal for all the family. Join us for a show that feels very much like herding cats, and help find the comedy stars of tomorrow! Suitable for ages 4+. Winner of the Best Kids' Show at the Morecambe Fringe. 'The comedy world's Joe Wicks' (Jason Rosam, BBC). Find previous YouTube shows by searching School's Out Comedy Club.

[www.philipsimon.co.uk](http://www.philipsimon.co.uk)

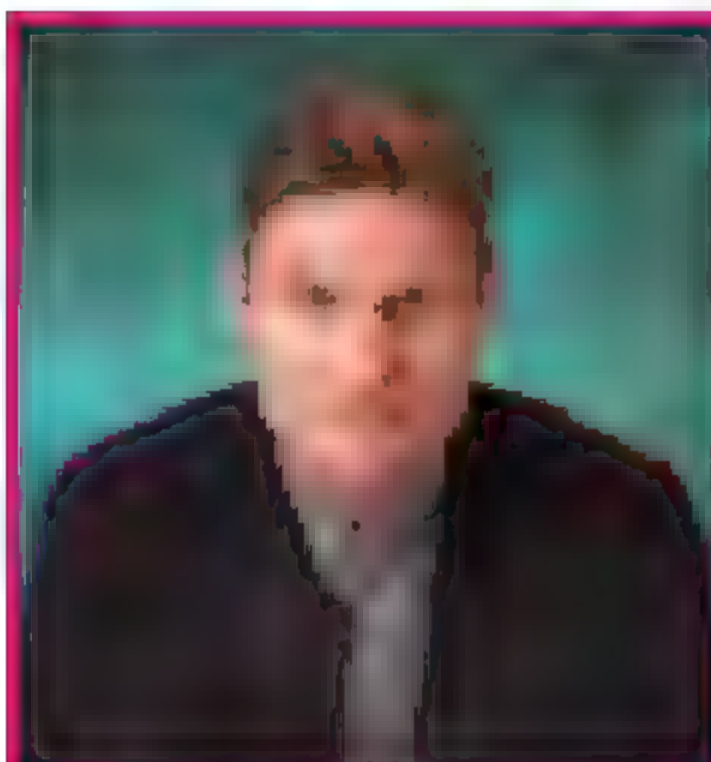
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Time: 13:00 (14:00)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Blue Book Artist Management and Fluid Thinking Proudly present

### SCOTT BENNETT: GREAT SCOTT!

A special hour of best bits and greatest hits! A double Best Show Nominee at the Leicester Comedy Festival and described as "Live Comedy's best kept secret" by the Evening Standard, Scott has been smashing the circuit for a decade. He's supported Jason Manford, John Bishop and Rob Brydon on tour and has recorded his debut on BBC One's Live at the Apollo. He's a Radio 4 regular with appearances on BBC Radio 4's The News Quiz and The Now Show.

[www.scottbennettcomedy.co.uk](http://www.scottbennettcomedy.co.uk)

STAND UP, SPOKEN WORD

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Time: 19:30 (20:40)

Venue: BrewDog Map Ref: 10

Entry: £10



Scottish Falsetto Sock Puppet Theatre

### SCOTTISH FALSETTO SOCK PUPPET THEATRE: THE NEW SHOW

The Socks are back, for three nights only. Fri 17 Feb - Eurovision Sock Contest, their hit 2022 Edinburgh show Sat 18 Feb - The New Show. What's it all about? Let's find out! Sun 19 Feb - The New Show again. Is it getting old already? Earth's funniest footwear back with their 12th & 13th shows! "a National Treasure, by any reasonable definition" XXXXXXXX Starburst (Edinburgh 2022)

[scottishfalsettosocks.com](http://scottishfalsettosocks.com)

SKETCH, PUPPETRY

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17th & 18th 19:00 | 19th 14:00 (1hr)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: 17th & 18th £8 | 19th £5 adv/PWYW



Between Us Improv presents:

### SEX, LIES & IMPROVISATION

A black comedy about lying together. Completely improvised by award-winning comedians. You pick the lie, we create the show. From some of the minds behind MATES: The Improvised '90s Sitcom and CSI: Crime Scene Improvisation. Act Of The Year 2019. \*\*\*\*\* "Live entertainment at its best." Demon Media \*\*\*\*\* "See it. It will not disappoint." Phoenix Remix \*\*\*\*\* "Full of inventive wit." Sheffield Review \*\*\*\*\* "Surpassed all expectations." Broadway Baby

[www.sexliesimprov.com](http://www.sexliesimprov.com)

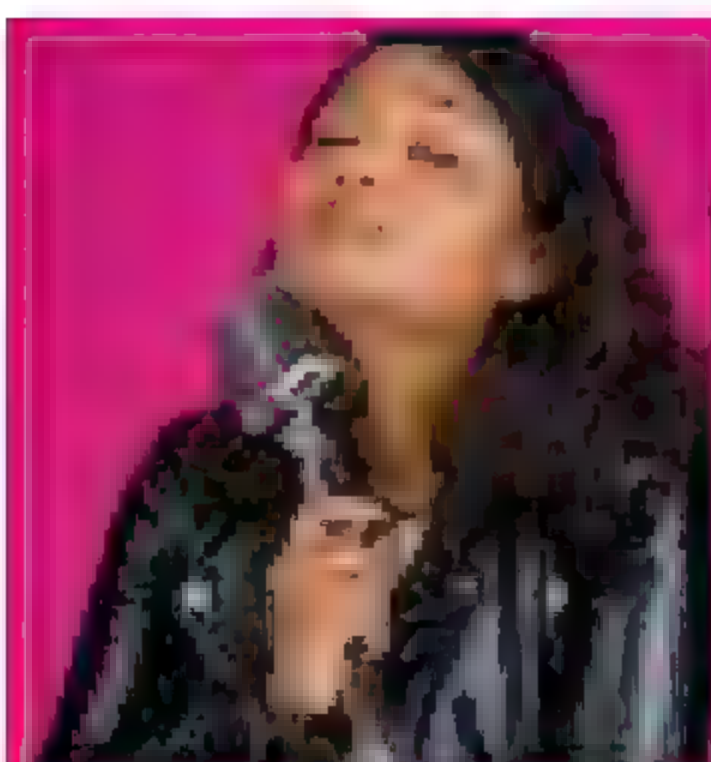
IMPROV, THEATRE

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Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £8



### SHARLIN JAHAN

Sharlin Jahan's (Now Show, BBC Radio) Asian mom put an ad out in the paper (without her knowledge) for men to call in to marry her marriage. This hour is about that. (Note: Sharlin is Canadian, she did not spell mom incorrectly!)

REGIONAL PREMIERE

STAND UP

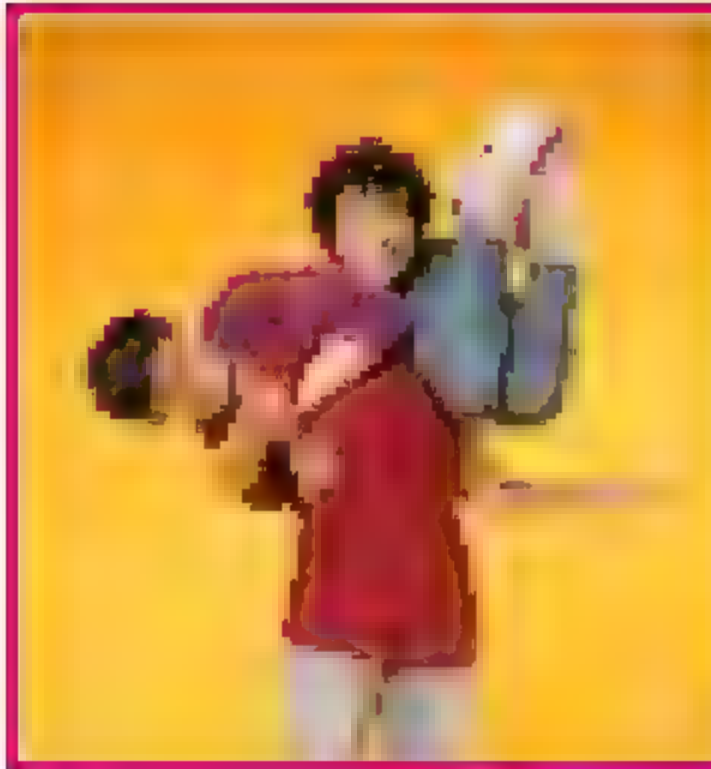
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Time: 18:00 (19:00)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £5





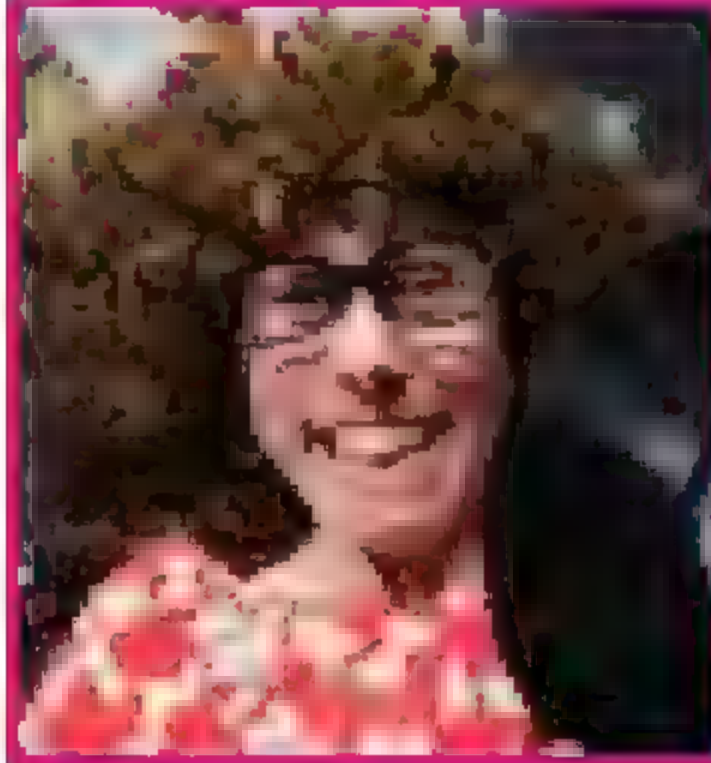
**SHELF: THE KIDS' SHOW**

REGIONAL PREMIERE

Join Shelf for sketches and silliness in this high energy kids' show! Shelf perform for kids across the UK with Comedy Club 4 Kids and Girl Guides, including appearances at Underbelly and Latitude Festivals. They have over 1 million views on BBC3, have been finalists in the Musical Comedy and Funny Women Awards, and perform for adults across the UK circuit. They truly are fun for all the family. "A sweet, engaging hour" \*\*\*\* The Guardian

CHILDREN'S, SKETCH

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	14:00 (15:00)
Venue:	The Big Difference Map Ref: 45																			Entry:	£6



LW presents

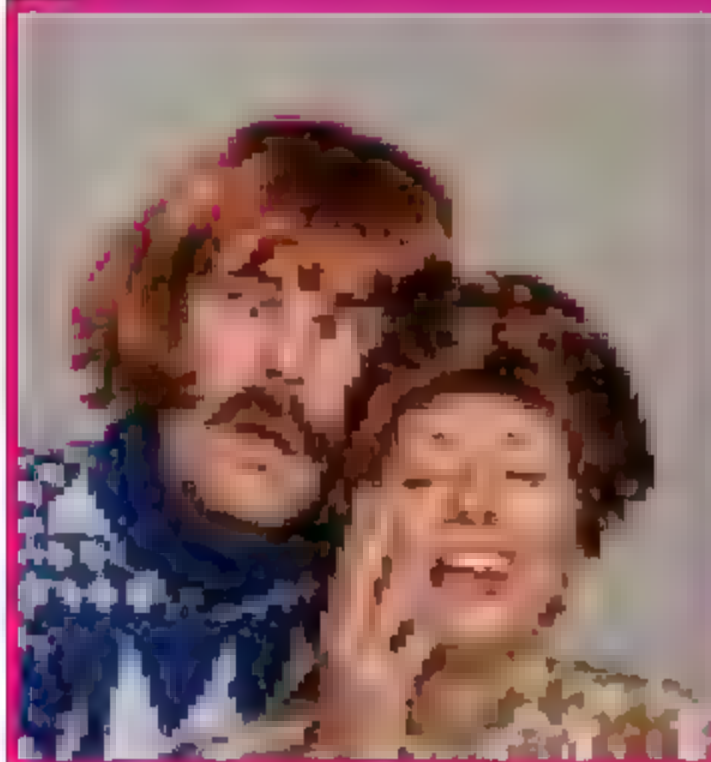
**SHIRLEY'S POP-TASTIC VINYL REVIVAL**

WORLD PREMIERE

Join in with the fabulous Shirley and her interactive show experience for all the family, featuring her favourite new and retro songs. Re-create music videos, dance, make props, singalong and join in as much as you want as Shirley takes you on a half term trip, like no other!

CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	13:00 (14:00)
Venue:	Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4																			Entry:	£5



**SHORT & CURLY: KIDS IN YOUR PANTS**

WORLD PREMIERE

Becoming parents has really made this pair of Chortle award nominees grow up, watch them delivering another slapdash hour of highbrow sketches and multi-dimensional characters... not! "COMPLETELY HILARIOUS" \*\*\*\* Broadway Baby 'Just pure, charming fun' \*\*\*\* EdFest Mag "AN EXHILARATING EXPERIENCE" \*\*\*\* ShortCom

www.shortandcurlycomedy.co.uk

SKETCH

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	15:30 (16:30)
Venue:	The Big Difference Map Ref: 45																			Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us Present

**SI DEAVES: SI-CLOPS**

In 'Si-Clops' comedian Si Deaves talks about becoming briefly monocular as the result of a surgery and the aftermath that has led to his impressively moderate vision and the perspective he has found in other elements of his life along the way.

www.sideaves.com

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	21:30 (22:30)
Venue:	45 West Map Ref: 2																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



Best in Class presents

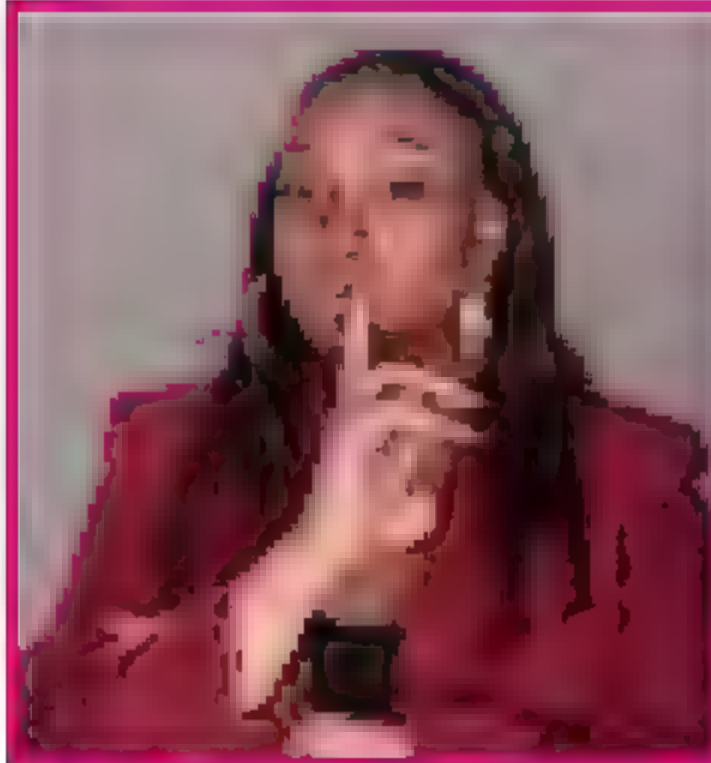
**SIAN DAVIES: THIS CHARMING MAN (WIP)**

Sian Davies loves men. But she has a toxic relationship with all her male role models. The men she has admired throughout her life have done nothing but disappoint her. But why did she idolise them in the first place? And what do you do when your role models let you down? An exploration of masculinity, gender and identity from a self-identifying butch woman who has an unhealthy obsession with The Smiths. "Compelling and distinctive" Scotsman

http://siandaviescomedian.co.uk/

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	17:30 (18:30)
Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£7 (£5)



**SIKISA: WORDS (WIP)**

REGIONAL PREMIERE

Sikisa is back with a new show and she is worried about words! She always thinks she's gonna say the wrong thing at the wrong time but asks the question - can you live in the modern world without speaking the language? 'She exudes a lively energy.' Chortle 'Uproariously hilarious.' Scotsman As seen and heard on Jonathan Ross' Comedy Club (ITV), The Stand Up Sketch Show (ITV2) and The Off- Menu podcast

www.sikisacomedy.com

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£5





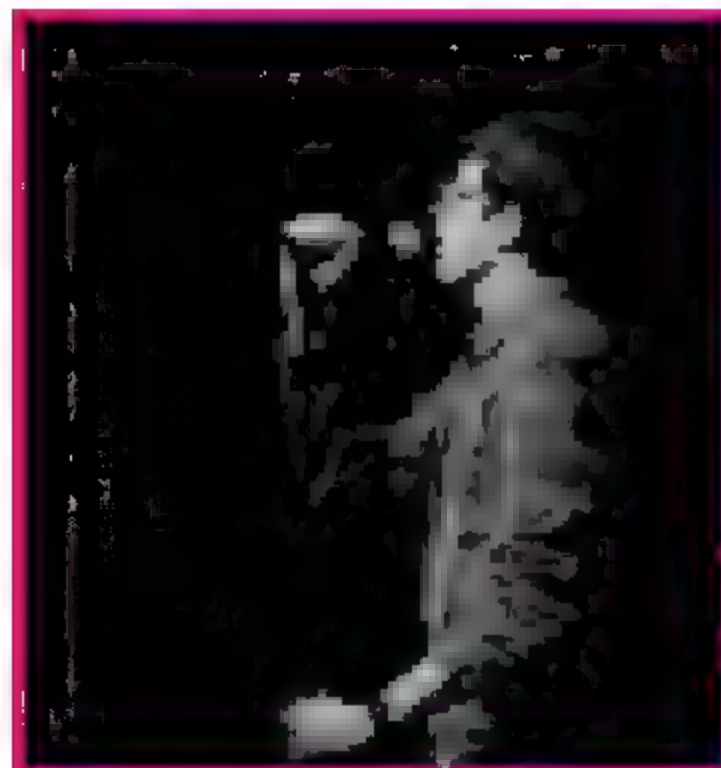
Big Difference presents

**SILVER STAND UP COMPETITION**

This unique evening showcases the selected finalists aged 55+ vying for the Silver Stand Up of the Year award. "Anything that provides an antidote to all the young upstarts taking over the comedy scene has to be a good thing" Alexei Sayle.



MIXED BILL

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 19:00 (21:30)**Venue:** PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38**Entry:** £8**SIMON LOMAS: VILE CHORE**

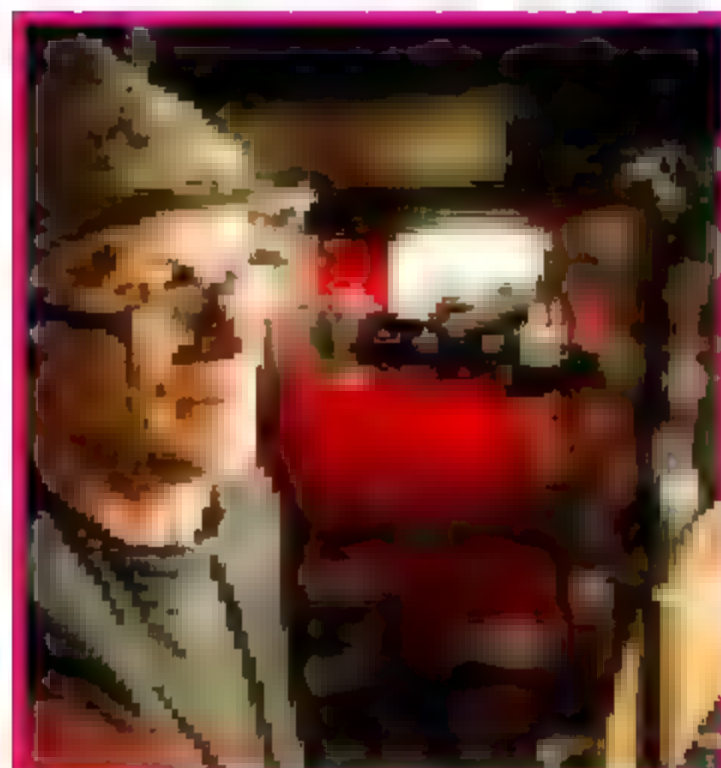
The hotly anticipated debut show from Chortle Award nominee and Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year finalist Simon Lomas. "the writing is strong, efficient and offbeat, with an enviable hit rate" - Chortle. "different to any act I've ever seen before" Bruce Dessau.

[www.simonlomas.wordpress.com](http://www.simonlomas.wordpress.com)

REGIONAL PREMIERE



STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 21:30 (22:30)**Venue:** 45 West Map Ref: 2**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want

Show and Tell present

**SIMON MUNNERY: FYLM SCHOOL**

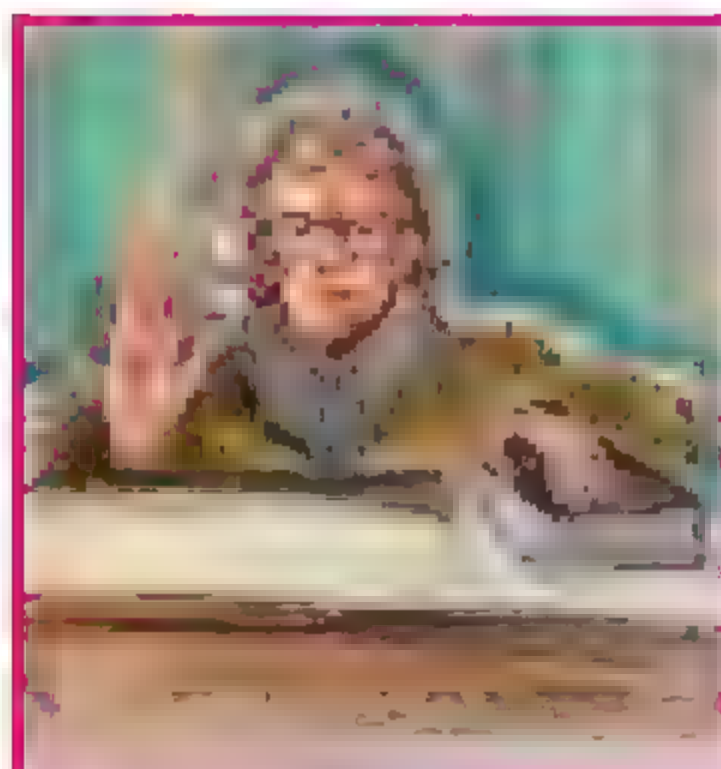
Milo hasn't had a voicemail in a while. He'd like to talk about that, and a lot of other things, after a sell-out and critically acclaimed run in Edinburgh and London. A show about time, loss, and why herons need to be condemned. 'An incredibly high-quality stand-up show' (\*\*\*\* Broadway Baby); 'An excellent hour of clever, tightly written stand-up' (\*\*\*\*, Sunday Post)

[www.simonmunnery.com/](http://www.simonmunnery.com/)

REGIONAL PREMIERE



FILM, STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 17:00 (18:00)**Venue:** Phoenix Map Ref: TBC**Entry:** £13 (£12)

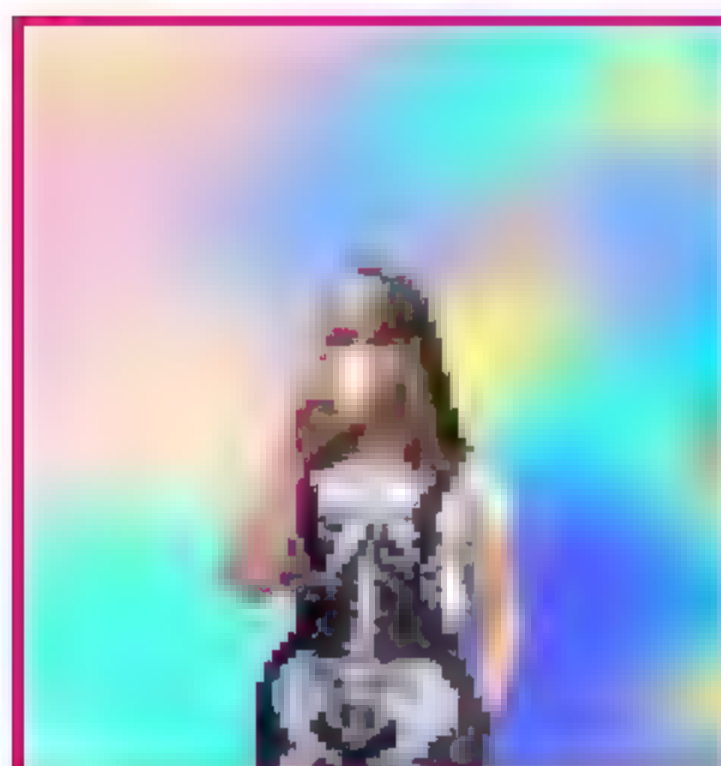
Show and Tell present

**SIMON MUNNERY: TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS**

20 years ago, in Edinburgh, legendary comedian Simon Munnery was arrested for "being a German in a built-up area". It wasn't an early brush with 'cancel culture' but it did lead to a trial. For the first time Simon Munnery tells the tale of this trial, as well as his second court appearance last year, one that only came about after four years of a gruelling legal battle (or possibly an administrative backlog). Well, it worked for Lenny Bruce.

[www.simonmunnery.com](http://www.simonmunnery.com)

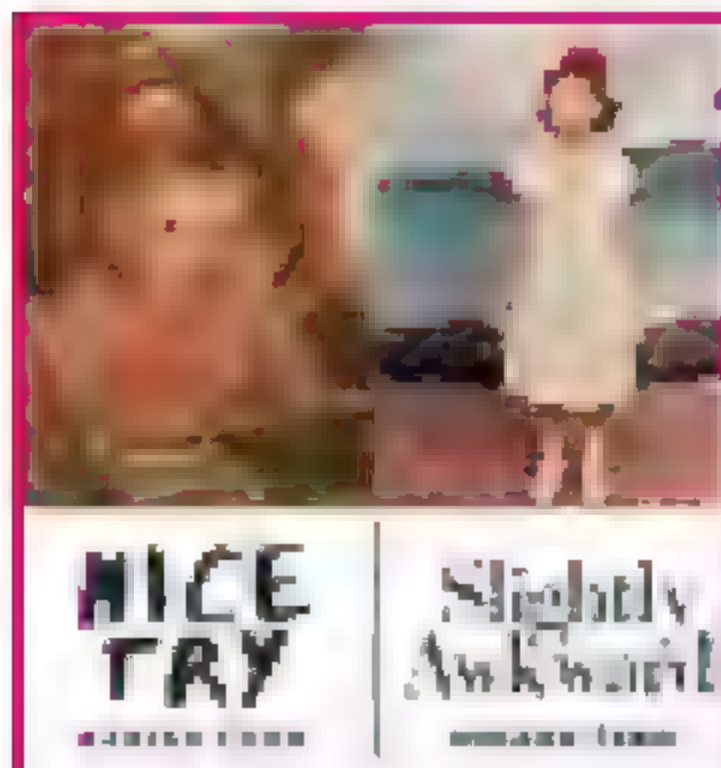

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 20:30 (21:30)**Venue:** Firebug Map Ref: 20**Entry:** £13 (£12)**SIÂN DOCKSEY: MEATSHAPES WITH FEELINGS**

Siân used to work in the day for a men's mental health charity and in the evenings at a strip club - a more lucrative men's mental health charity. This is a show about that, and other wildly unrelated things too. BBC New Comedy Award Nominee, As seen on BBC 3, \*\*\*\* "Joy and bewilderment in equal measure" - The Skinny

[www.siandocksey.com](http://www.siandocksey.com)


STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 14:30 (15:30)**Venue:** Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17**Entry:** £5 (£4) advance or Pay What You Want

NCF and Late Stage Comedy present

**SLIGHTLY AWKWARD & NICE TRY**

After sliding into each other's DM's on a Zoom gig, comics Shuang Teng and Rabiah Coon met IRL and took it to the next level. They're now in a committed comedy relationship pairing up for their 30 minute solo shows. Shuang is a British Chinese Londoner who enjoys living and navigating between two very different cultures. Rabiah is an accident-prone American who spends time thinking and writing about her shortcomings, overcomings & misbecomings.

<https://www.rabiahsaid.com/>


STAND UP, MIXED BILL

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 19:00 (20:00)**Venue:** Kayal Map Ref: 28**Entry:** £6 (£5)





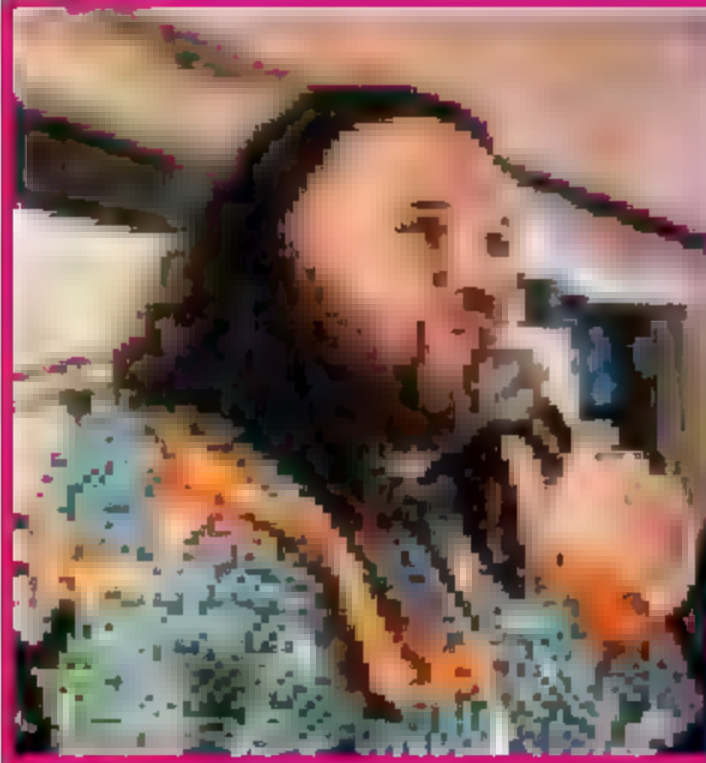
Focus Charity

**SOME LIKE IT LIT (PART 2)**

What do teenagers know about anything anyway? You're about to find out! Join us for an irreverent view of what today's yooof think is funny. The show features sketches and stand-up by young performers, introduced by an inept compere who'll bumble along trying, but mostly failing, to hold things together. Ticket sales from this event will support the work of Focus, a multi-award-winning local charity that supports vulnerable young people.  
[www.focus-charity.co.uk](http://www.focus-charity.co.uk)

MIXED BILL

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Venue:	The Big Difference																			Map Ref:	45	Entry:	£10 (£5)



Jokes On Us Present

**SOME-ANTICS COMEDY & SPOKEN WORD: OPEN MIC & SLAM**

Some-Antics is Leicester's third best poetry night, doing comedy. We'll have comedy and spoken word open mic, as well as a poetry slam, Ninja Bob (DJ), comedy headliner and the world famous Some-Antics raffle!  
<https://www.someantics.co.uk/>

STAND UP, SPOKEN WORD

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (21:30)		
Venue:	Grays@LCB Depot																			Map Ref:	23	Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



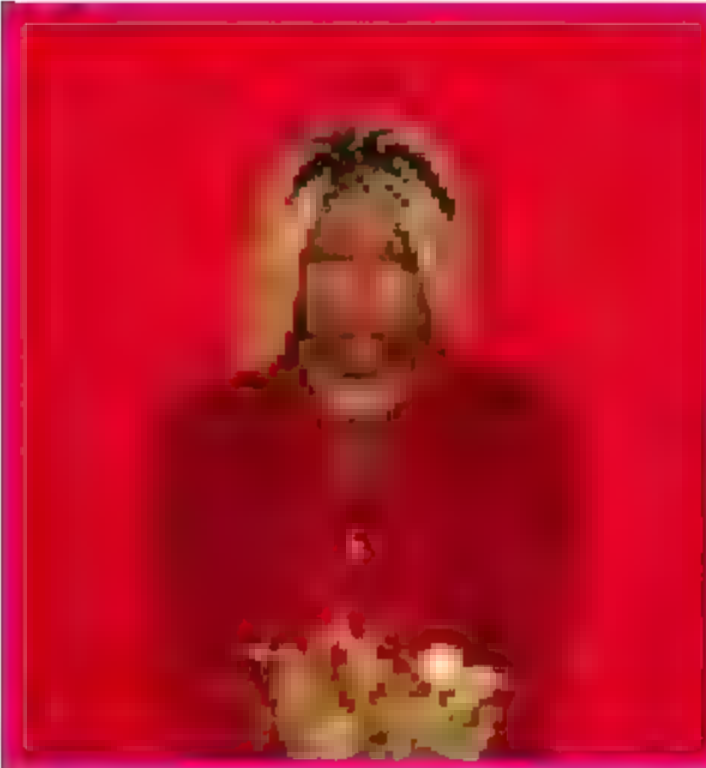
Cotesbach Educational Trust Presents:

**SOME-ANTICS COMEDY NIGHT**

Some-Antics is Leicester's third best poetry night who often does comedy too. Join us at the wonderful Cotesbach Educational Trust for a brilliant evening of quality stand up comedy in the form of Jack Campbell, with support from Dan Nicholas and Sandy Wardrop, our resident DJ Ninja Bob and the world famous Some-Antics raffle!  
<https://www.someantics.co.uk/>

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	17:30 (20:30)		
Venue:	Cotesbach Educational Trust																			Map Ref:	14	Entry:	£15



Avalon present

**SOPHIE DUKER: HAG**

The sexy baby from Taskmaster is all grown up. Back in 2019 she was a Babybel - round, sweet, pure. Now she's vintage cheddar - extra mature and hiding in your fridge. As seen on Live At The Apollo and literally everywhere else. Hag is her new stand-up show. Deal with it. Best Newcomer Nominee, 2019.  
[sophieduker.com](http://sophieduker.com)

SOLD SHOW, STAND UP

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Venue:	Firebug																			Map Ref:	20	Entry:	£12



Cameron Sinclair Harris

**SPENCE VALENTINE: ONE OF THE LADS (WIP)**

Assigned lad at birth, Spence Valentine has been told to man up throughout his life- now he has manned so far upwards, he is ready to claim his position as the modern mouthpiece of 21st century masculinity, ready to spit truth-bombs and drink lager. After all, Spence is definitely, totally, 100% one of the lads.....right? Performer/writer Cameron Sinclair Harris presents this silly, messy, ludicrous and heartfelt ode to transition and coming out.

CHARACTER, ALTERNATIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	21:00 (22:00)		
Venue:	Upstairs At The Western Theatre																			Map Ref:	61	Entry:	£8



Furthest from the Sea presents

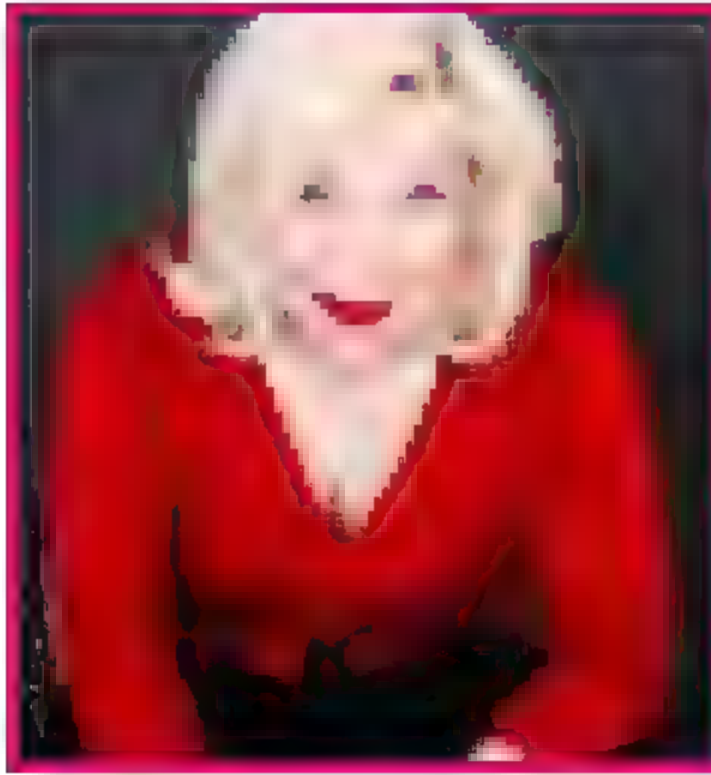
**SPONTADEITY: WHO LET THE GODS OUT?**

An improvised comedy extravaganza of tales of gods & monsters, heroines & heroes, mundane & mythological beings all made up on the spot from audience suggestions. Ever wondered what Zeus liked to eat for breakfast or how peanut butter was born?! You just might find out the answers to these mythological questions as well as unfold some rip-roaring epic tales; come witness the birth of legends!  
<https://ettrick-hogg.co.uk/>

IMPROV

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:30 (21:30)		
Venue:	Knight & Garter																			Map Ref:	30	Entry:	£5





Jokes On Us Present

**SPRING DAY: WORK IN PROGRESS**

As seen on Live at the Apollo, American transplant Spring Day examines her journey from joining a Christian cult at 13-year-old to becoming an acerbic 'woman of the world', no longer afraid of going to hell. Expect outrageous stories and sharp punchlines as Spring digs into evangelical Christianity's pursuit for dominance in the UK. Plus, the show will be a hell of a lot tighter than any church sermon you've had to sit through.

[springdaycomedy.com](http://springdaycomedy.com)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 21:15 (22:15)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Gerty Words presents

**STAND BY YOUR NAN**

Was yours a Nandoze? Or was she more of a Supergran? Rachel Sambrooks uncovers the strange, secret world of her Brummie grandmother while asking what it means to grow old disgracefully. Bring your stories to share too! Sitcom Trials finalist, One to Watch Funny Women 2019, writing heard on BBC Radio. \*\*\*\* Londontheatre1 'Wonderful tales.'

[www.rachelsambrooks.com](http://www.rachelsambrooks.com)

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Wygston's House Map Ref: 65

Entry: £5 (£3) advance or Pay What You Want



NCF &amp; Late Stage Comedy present

**STANLEY BROOKS: I CAN MAKE ME RICH**

Why aren't you rich yet? How come there are people at the top nowhere near as smart, talented or good looking as you? Stanley Brooks is here to help you teach yourself the skills you already know to succeed! Discover why Stanley Brooks is regarded as such a success, from 2nd place at the Leicester Square New Comedian Awards, to chortle describing him as having 'deft lines and nice observations'. Bring cash.

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 18:20 (19:20)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want

REGIONAL PREMIERE



Monster Comedy Presents...

**STELLA GRAHAM: DRAGON**

Enter the dragon! Or maybe don't actually. At least ask first. Catch another banging hour of stand-up from Coventry's Stella Graham "If you're a TV executive, drop what you're doing and go see her now" - The Skinny. Come along, it's cheaper than staying at home with a light on. May contain traces of the sell out 2022 Edinburgh Fringe show, Porcupine.

[www.stellagraham.com](http://www.stellagraham.com)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

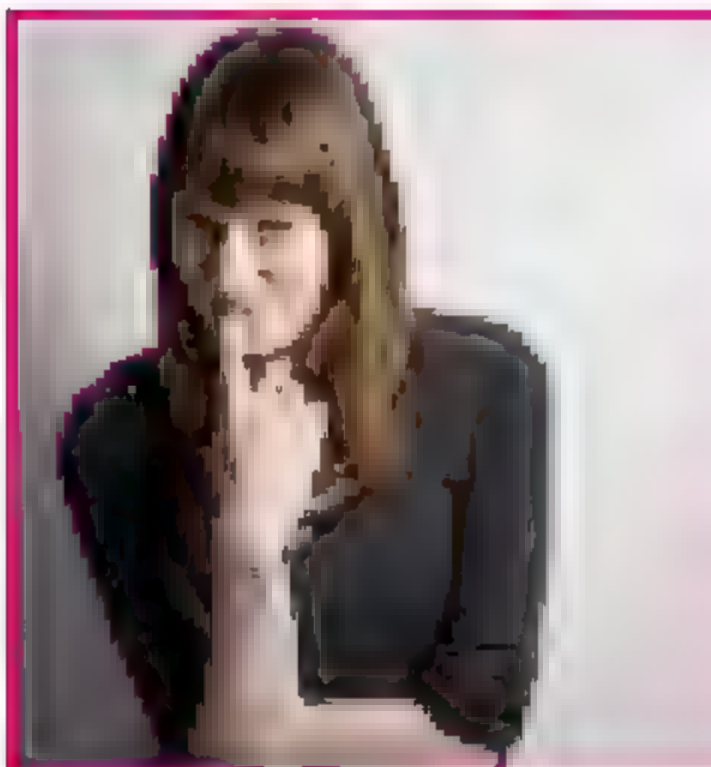
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Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want

WORLD PREMIERE



A Rush of Laughter presents

**STEPHANIE LAING: CHICKEN**

Steph is scared of taking risks, not taking risks, woodlice, armadillos (giant woodlice), the inevitable rise of the machines and smelling really bad but nobody telling her. How do you decide which fears to listen to and which to ignore? And why is it she can do stand-up to thousands of people but not tell boys she likes them? "Gloriously silly, wonderfully unpretentious" (Broadway Baby)

<https://arushoflaughter.co.uk/stephanie-laing/>

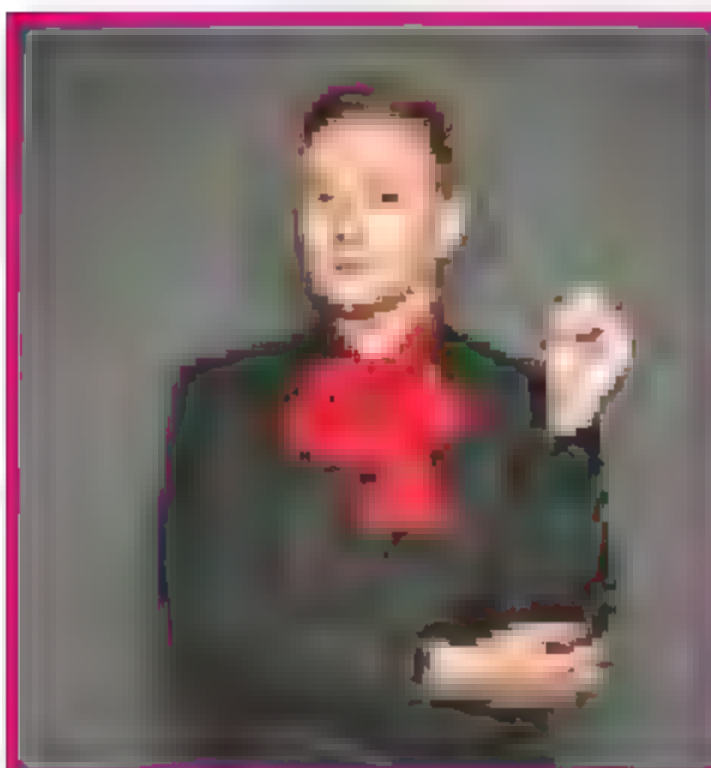
STAND UP

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Time: 19:45 (20:45)

Venue: The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



UTC present

**STEPHEN BAILEY: UNTITLED & UNWRITTEN (WIP)**

Stephen is trying to figure out what he wants to talk about. Normally he is a bit "blue" but he's just bought a house and enjoys working in the garden so is perhaps now more "green" - but not in an offputting way! If you are a fan of camp, charisma and crass - come spend an hour in Stephen's company this Leicester festival.

<https://www.stephenbaileycomedy.co.uk/>

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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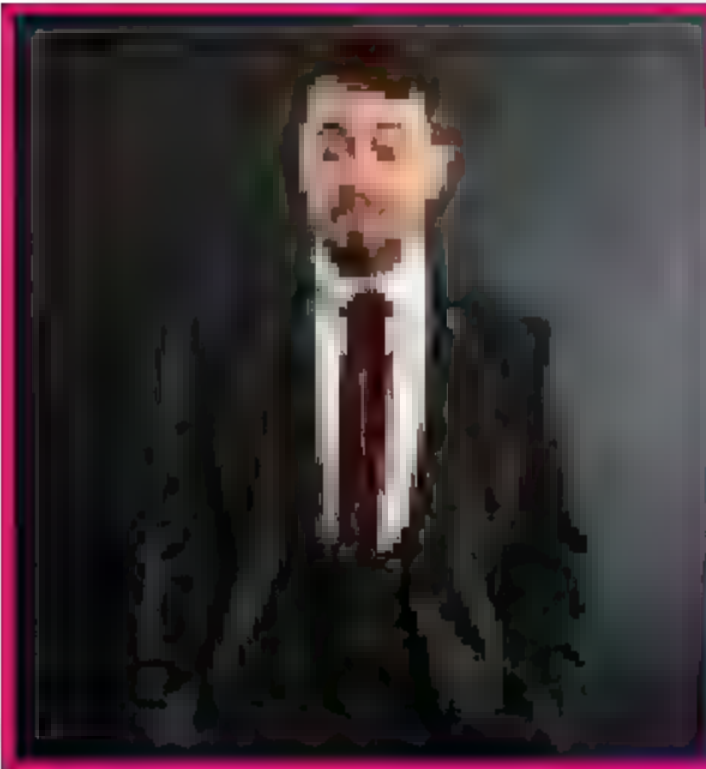
Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Black Horse Map Ref: 9

Entry: £8







**STEPHEN BUCHANAN: CHARICATURE (WIP)**

REGIONAL PREMIERE

BBC New Comedy Award winner and Scottish Comedian of the Year 2018, Stephen Buchanan, brings his brand new work-in-progress show to Leicester. As seen/heard on: Jonathan Ross' Comedy Club (ITV), The Comedy Underground (BBC Scotland), DIY Pundit (BT Sport), The Now Show (BBC Radio 4), The DriveTime Show (BBC Radio 2) and The Arts Hour (BBC World Service). 'Skilful, personal and pitch perfect stand-up \*\*\*\*\*' The Wee Review.

[www.twitter.com/stephenbucomedy](http://www.twitter.com/stephenbucomedy)

STAND UP, SKETCH

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Venue:	Phoenix																			Map Ref:	TBC	Entry:	£6 (£4)



Avalon Presents

**STEVE BUGEJA: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Steve Bugeja is one of the circuit's most exciting comedians, writers and performers. Steve co-created and co-wrote the ITV2 sitcom Buffering with Iain Stirling which is now in its 2nd series. He previously hosted the BBC Radio 4 series Economics with Subtitles and has made numerous appearances on The Russell Howard Hour (Sky One), Love Island: Aftersun (ITV2), Russell Howard's Stand Up Central (Comedy Central) and Zoe Ball on Saturday (ITV1).

[www.stevebugeja.com/](http://www.stevebugeja.com/)

STAND UP

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Venue:	Firebug																			Map Ref:	20	Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want



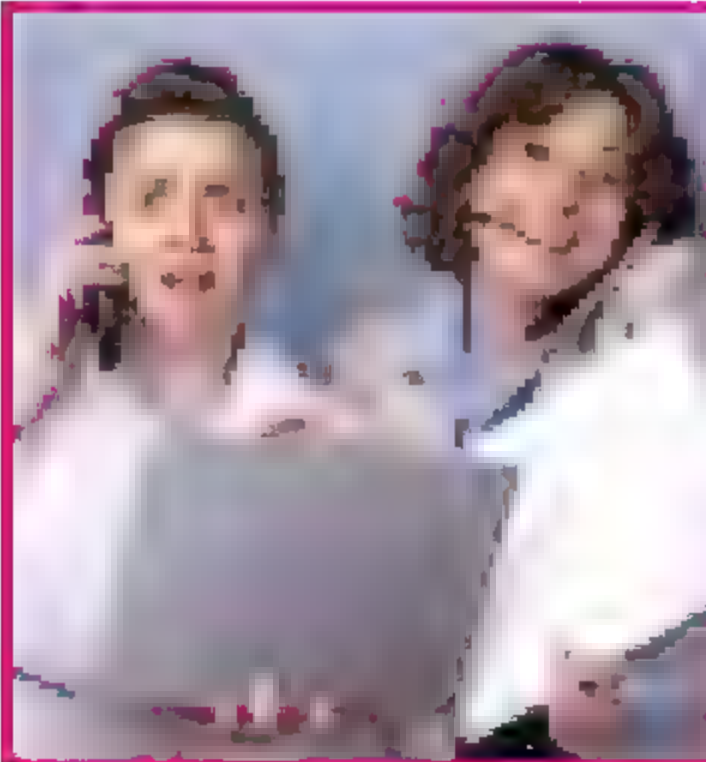
**STEWART LEE**

A brand new show. After a decade of ground-breaking high concept shows involving overarched interlinked narratives, massive sets and enormous comedy props, Lee enters the post-pandemic era in streamlined solo stand-up mode. One man, one microphone, and one microphone in the wings in case the one on stage breaks. Pure. Simple. Classic. Basic Lee.

[demontforthall.co.uk](http://demontforthall.co.uk)

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:00 (22:00)		
Venue:	De Montfort Hall																			Map Ref:	16	Entry:	£29



Stokes & Summers in association with Corrie McGuire Management

**STOKES & SUMMERS: CAREERING**

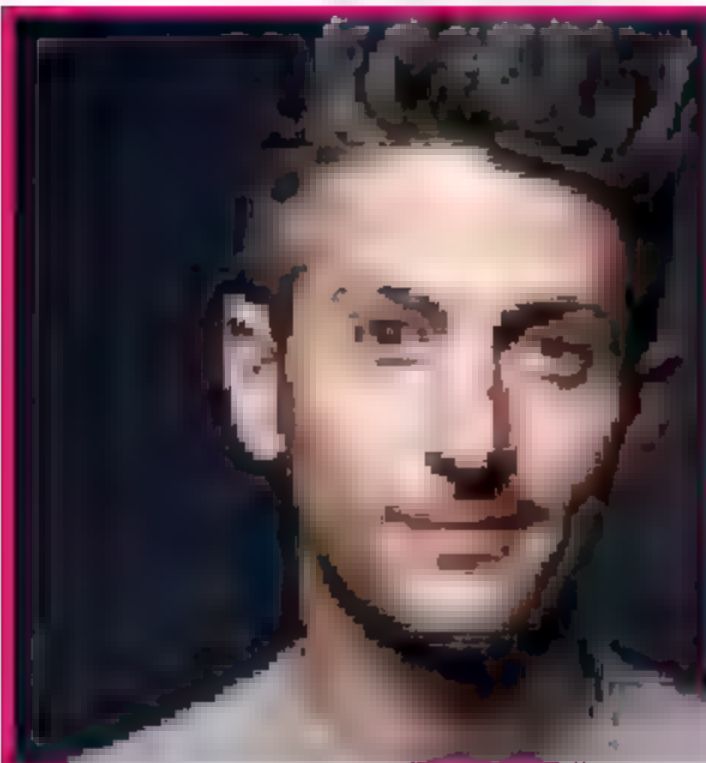
REGIONAL PREMIERE

In the immortal words of Britney Spears, "You want a Lamborghini? Sippin' martinis? Look hot in a bikini? You better work, bitch." Stokes & Summers don't want Lamborghinis, they just want to pay their rent.\* A comedy about the quirks and perks of the modern workplace from Funny Women and ES Theatre Award nominees Stokes & Summers. "Brilliantly absurd & hilarious." (FringeBiscuit) \*They'd also like to sip Martinis, but that's beside the point.

<https://stokesandsummers.wordpress.com/>

THEATRE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	18:00 (19:00)		
Venue:	BrewDog																			Map Ref:	10	Entry:	£8



Chambers Touring Presents

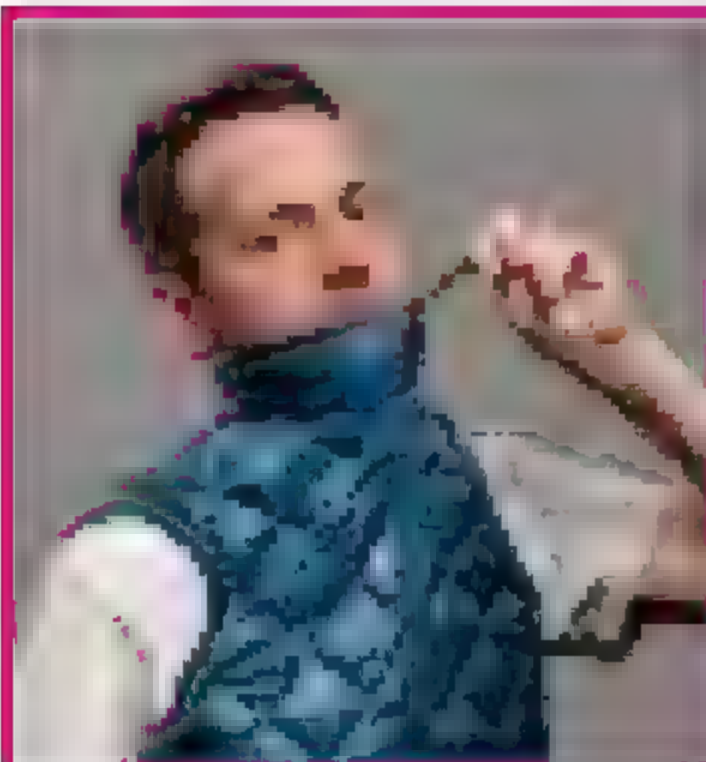
**STUART GOLDSMITH: SPOILERS (WORK IN PROGRESS)**

Stuart Goldsmith takes on the climate crisis, and on some performances works out how to feel OK about it. Open-hearted, honest, and \*guaranteed\* potentially funny from the Host of The Comedian's Comedian Podcast. As seen on Conan (TBS), As Yet Untitled (Dave) and Russell Howard's Stand Up Central (Comedy Central). \*\*\*\*\* (Independent). 'Truly a comedy masterclass... Endlessly inventive' \*\*\*\*\* (List).

[www.stuartgoldsmith.com/](http://www.stuartgoldsmith.com/)

STAND UP

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Venue:	Firebug																			Map Ref:	20	Entry:	£7 advance or Pay What You Want



**STUART LAWS? IS THAT GUY STILL GOING?**

REGIONAL PREMIERE

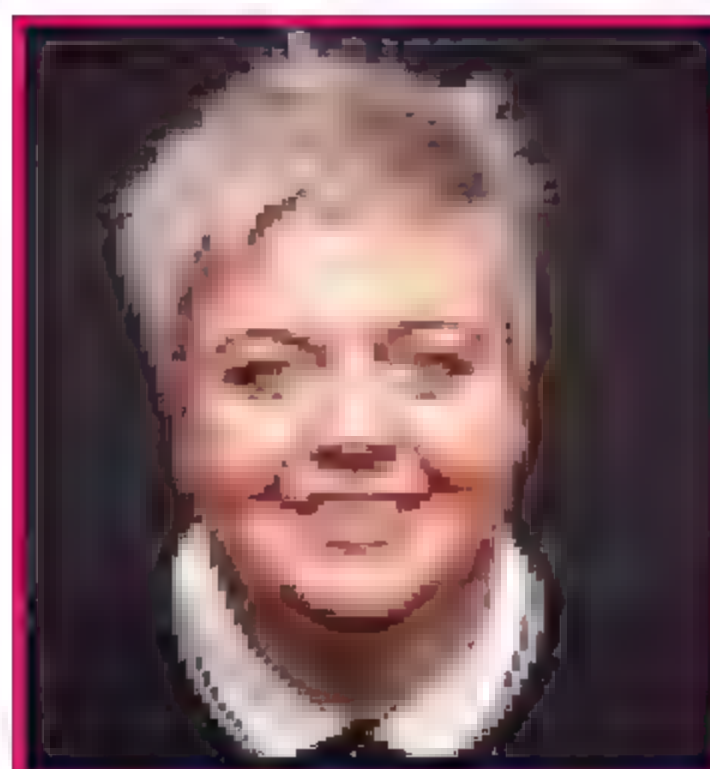
New show about getting married, being middle of the road and accidentally going viral for the most embarrassing moment in your life. 'You'll struggle to find a comedian with a better jokes per minute rate... like a one-man episode of Arrested Development' (Fest). As seen in Prime series Grave New World, you might know him from his viral twitter thread about a woman moving dirty plates onto another woman's table or his impression of Michael Caine.

[www.stuartlaws.com](http://www.stuartlaws.com)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	13:00 (14:00)		
Venue:	Firebug																			Map Ref:	20	Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want





Off The Kerb Productions present

**SUSIE MCCABE: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Susie McCabe (Best Scottish Headliner and Best Solo Show in the 2019 Scottish Comedy Awards, and fastest-selling Glasgow Comedy Festival act for three years running) returns with a hilarious work-in-progress show. Revel in McCabe's raconteur style and razor-sharp punchlines in this hilarious show as she recounts the absurdities of her life; she's a shambles and never far from disaster.



STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £6



The Doorstep Comedy Club presents

**SYSTON'S COMEDY NIGHT**

Syston!! The Grosvenor is returning to The Leicester Comedy Festival and what a show we are bringing! Matt Bragg (who regularly warms up for John Bishop and Ricky Gervais) opens the show, along with Matt Richardson (you may have seen him hosting Xtra Factor and Red Bull Soap Box Race) headlines, Tal Davies and all being hosted by the brilliant Adam Beardesmore..

<https://www.thedoorstepcomedyclub.com>


MIXED BILL, STAND UP

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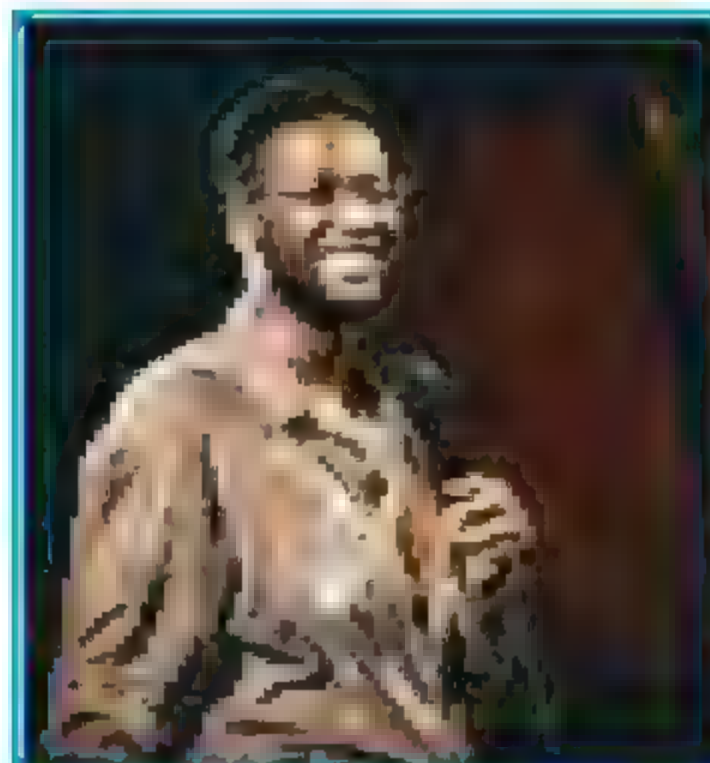
Time: 20:30 (23:00)

Venue: The Grosvenor Snooker Club Map Ref: 51

Entry: £12.50

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We are proud to be a not-for-profit festival. All proceeds go towards improving people's lives through comedy and laughter. You can support us by making a donation when you buy festival tickets at [www.comedy-festival.co.uk](http://www.comedy-festival.co.uk) Thank you!

**TADIWA MAHLUNGE: 25**

As seen on BBC 1, BBC 2, Dave, Comedy Central, UTV, Comic Relief and heard on BBC Radio Wales, Tad is billed as "one of the country's top new comedy acts" by The York Press. "VERY BLOODY FUNNY. AND NEITHER TOO TALL NOR TOO SHORT, WHICH IS GREAT." - Aisling Bea "Tadiwa has been gathering pace as a prodigious act and landing a highly sought after spot on the Pleasance Reserve has cemented his star in the making status" - Kiri Pritchard-McLean

[instagram.com/tadiwamahlunge](https://www.instagram.com/tadiwamahlunge)


STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us Present

**TAL DAVIES & HANNAH WEETMAN: FEAR AND SELF-LOATHING IN LAS IGUANAS**

Join award winning Brummie comedians Tal Davies and Hannah Weetman as they humorously pick apart every aspect of their own, and each other's, dreadful life choices. If you enjoy dry, observational humour and uncomfortably relatable anecdotes (often -but not always- about the weird shape of their heads...), you're in for a treat.

REGIONAL PREMIERE



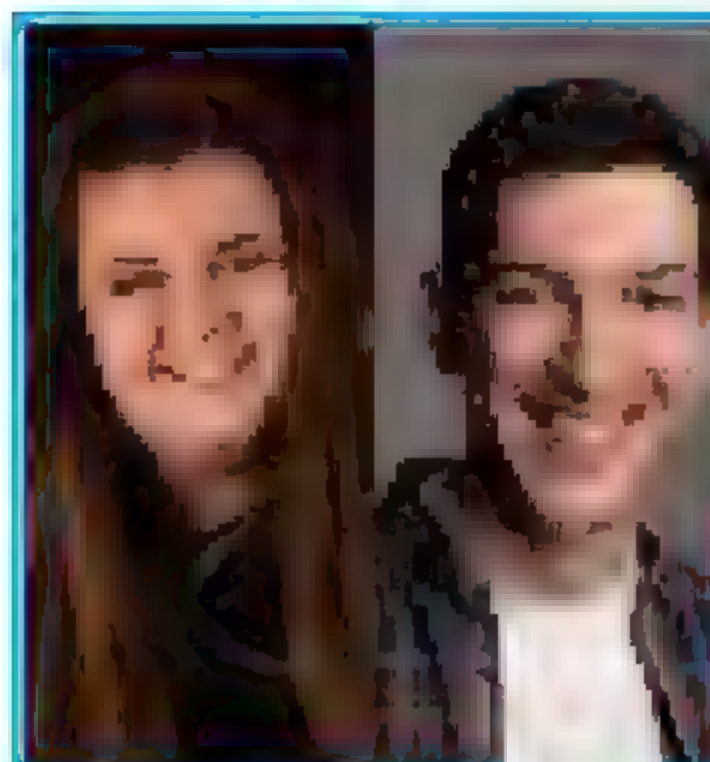
STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:30 (22:30)

Venue: 45 West Map Ref: 2

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us Present

**TAL DAVIES & JACOB NUSSEY: WRY BABIES (LIKE CRY BABIES, DO YOU GET IT)**

An hour of wry comedy from two of the Midlands' rising stars. Expect toe curling anecdotes, dry observations and killer lines! Tal Davies: Funny Women One to Watch 2022. Jacob Nussey: British Comedian of the Year semi-finalist 2021.



STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want





**TAROT, NICE TO MEET YOU**

Want to know your future? We already do... You're in for a night of comedy and Tarot! Comedians Carly Smallman and Sarah Iles are joined by a special guest for a 100% real, 100% hilarious Tarot reading. These sexy witches will pull cheeky cards for you (the audience) too, in this fully interactive hit show that encompasses all things fun and witchy. Winner: 'Best Audience Interaction' Award at the 2022 Brighton Fringe. "Tremendous!" - The Seagull

[www.carlysmallman.com/tarot](http://www.carlysmallman.com/tarot)

INTERACTIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	17:30 (18:30)
Venue:	PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38																			Entry:	£8 (£6)



NCF & Late Stage Comedy present

**TEJ DHUTIA & JAY SANDHU: HOW DID WE GET HERE?**

Join two of the East Midlands up and coming comedians, Tej Dhutia and Jay Sandhu as they bring the funny while trying to make sense of their British-Indian identity and how on earth they ended up being comedians when they originally had jobs that actually made their parents proud! Tej is a comedian and presenter and a regular contributor on BBC Asian Network. Jay is a comedian, poet, musician and BBC radio presenter.

STAND UP

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Venue:	Kayal Map Ref: 28																			Entry:	£8



**TELL TALE TWIT... A STORYTELLING SHOW BY GAV CROSS**

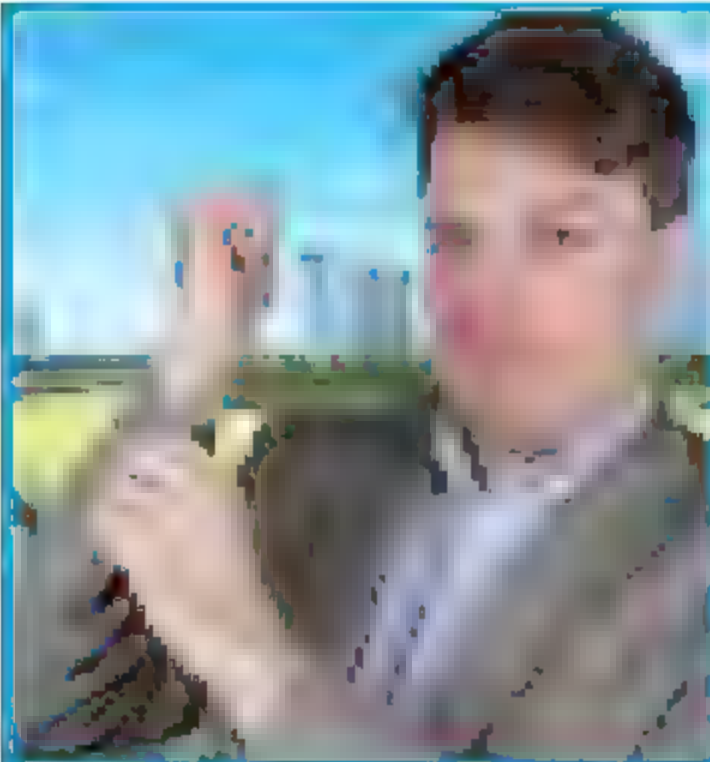
Lurking on our bookshelves, forgotten and dusty from lack of love, sit short sinister stories. Hiding in plain sight. Nursery Rhymes & Fairy Tales. Some famous. Some lost. For good reason? You'll find out... Come join Gav Cross for more deep dives into the words we seem to know so well but we never really listened too. More nonsense, nastiness & roaring chaos as we turn our childhood tales upside down to find out what lies beneath! 7+

[gavcross.co.uk](http://gavcross.co.uk)

REGIONAL PREMIERE

STORYTELLING, CHILDREN'S

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	14:00 (15:00)
Venue:	The Big Difference Map Ref: 45																			Entry:	£6 (£5)



TripleCeePee in conjunction with North Wave and Weirdos Comedy Collective present:

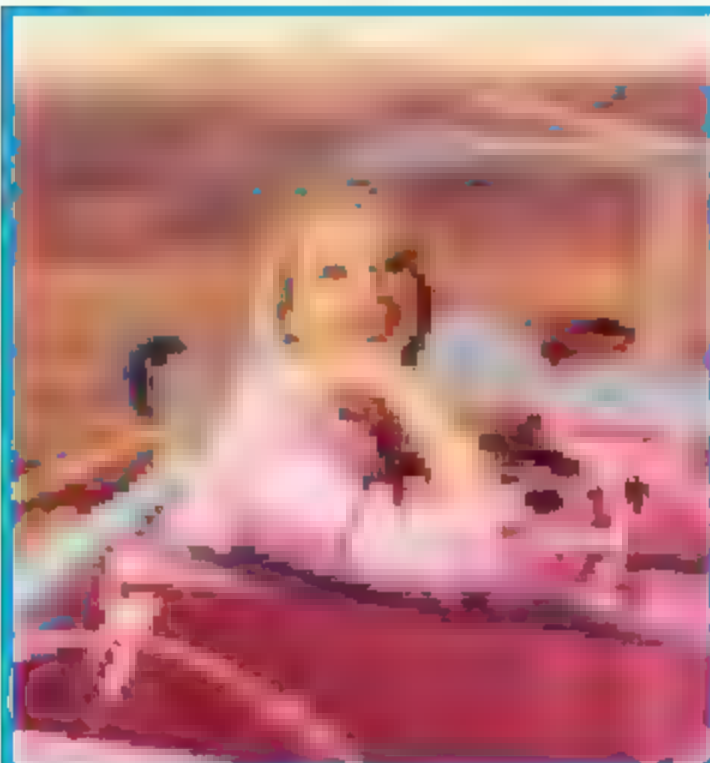
**TERRY WOGAN SCREAMS**

Genteel nightmare Terry Wogan is back to create the world's greatest gameshow. Ever wanted to play Who Wants to be a Pointless University Blankety Song Contest? Now's your chance. "Joyful, wonderful fun" - Guardian, on The Glang Show "Has no right to be as funny as he is" - EdFringeReview, on Benjamin Alborough

REGIONAL PREMIERE

GAME SHOW, INTERACTIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	16:20 (17:20)
Venue:	Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17																			Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want



Berk's Nest present

**TESSA COATES: GET YOUR TESSA COATES YOU'VE PULLED**

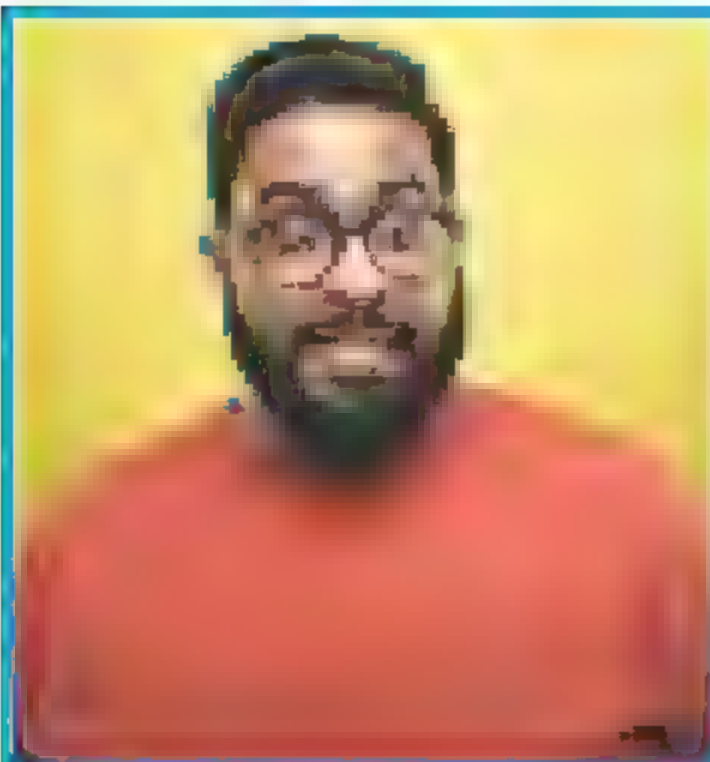
After a sell-out Edinburgh run, Tessa is bringing her third and favourite show to Leicester Comedy Festival, arguably the best comedy festival in the world. Tour support for Nish Kumar: Your Power, Your Control. As seen on Mae Martin's Feel Good, Rose Matafeo's Starstruck, Hypothetical, and one episode of Antiques Roadshow in the very deep background. \*\*\*\* The Scotsman 'Hilarious...a delight' Times Radio 'I cried laughing' \*\*\*\* The Independent

[twitter.com/tessacoates](https://twitter.com/tessacoates)

REGIONAL PREMIERE

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:00 (20:00)
Venue:	Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17																			Entry:	£8 advance or Pay What You Want



Big Difference present

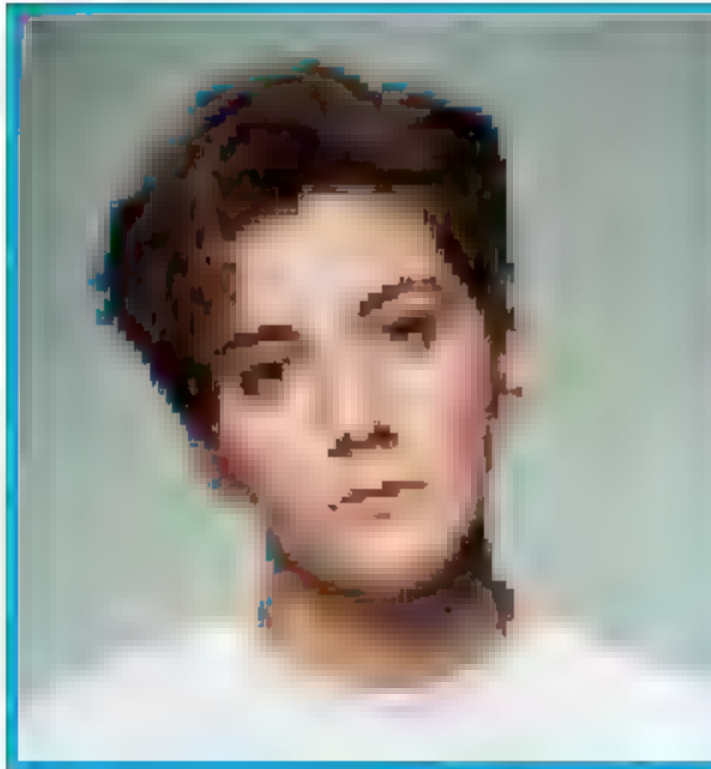
**THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY! THE EARLY SHOW**

Finally the weekend is here! Come celebrate with a showcase of stellar comedy, handpicked by the team behind Leicester Comedy Festival. A different line-up every Friday to start the weekend with laughter. Guests will include Sarah Keyworth, Robin Grainger, Emmanuel Sonubi, Garrett Millerick, Eshaan Akbar, and more to be announced, check socials and website for more details.

MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	18:00 (19:00)
Venue:	BrewDog Map Ref: 10																			Entry:	£8





Big Difference present

**THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY! THE LATE SHOW**

Finally the weekend is here! Come celebrate with a showcase of stellar comedy, handpicked by the team behind Leicester Comedy Festival. A different line-up every Friday to start the weekend with laughter. Guests will include Sarah Keyworth, Robin Grainger, Emmanuel Sonubi, Garrett Millerick, Eshaan Akbar, and more to be announced, check socials and website for more details.

MIXED BILL

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 21:30 (23:30)**Venue:** The Big Difference Map Ref: 45**Entry:** £10

UTC present

**THANYIA MOORE: AUGUST (WIP)**

After 10 years of comedy, Thanyia was finally set to do her long awaited, anticipated debut hour at Edinburgh festival fringe. Everything was going to plan, until August came. A month that was forecasted to be bright and sunny, became dark and grey, and it took every bit of strength that Thanyia had, to make it through. A show about strength, the female body and how awesome the NHS is in Scotland!

<https://www.thanyiamore.co.uk/>

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 18:30 (19:30)**Venue:** The Big Difference Map Ref: 45**Entry:** £8

Furthest from the Sea presents

**THARUN CHELLEY: INSIDE VOICE**

Tharun Chelley performs his first solo show. Inside Voice is all about the different issues Tharun has had to face as a person from Leicester. Leicester is the backdrop to where Tharun has developed his love of comedy, so let's see where he goes with it. The show will delve into his love of what languages sound like, his issues with parents, politics and why he has a distinct fear of Dettol.

SOLO SHOW, STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 20:30 (21:30)**Venue:** Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30**Entry:** £6

Furthest from the Sea presents

**THAT ONE-LINER BLOKE'S COMEDY SHOW**

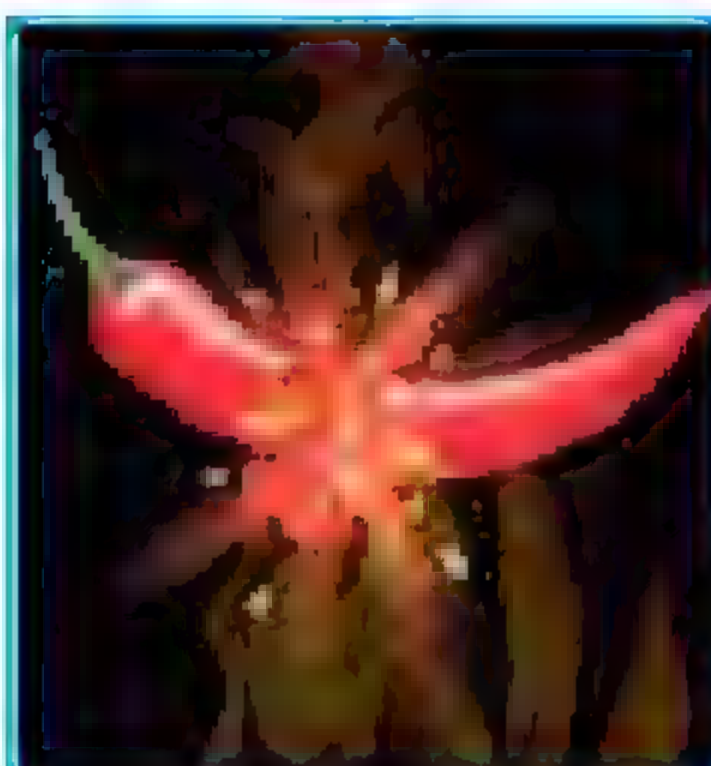
It only took Kevin O'Brien 55 years and a brief dalliance with retirement to work out that the future lies in comedy. Dead pan, quick-fire humour delivering one liners about love, death, marriage and Southport. (Probably) the newest oldest comedian on the circuit.

[www.furthestfromthesea.co.uk](http://www.furthestfromthesea.co.uk)

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 15:00 (16:00)**Venue:** Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want

REGIONAL PREMIERE



Jerroms Miller Specialist Tax and Pattersons Commercial Law bring you the 6th Big Chilli

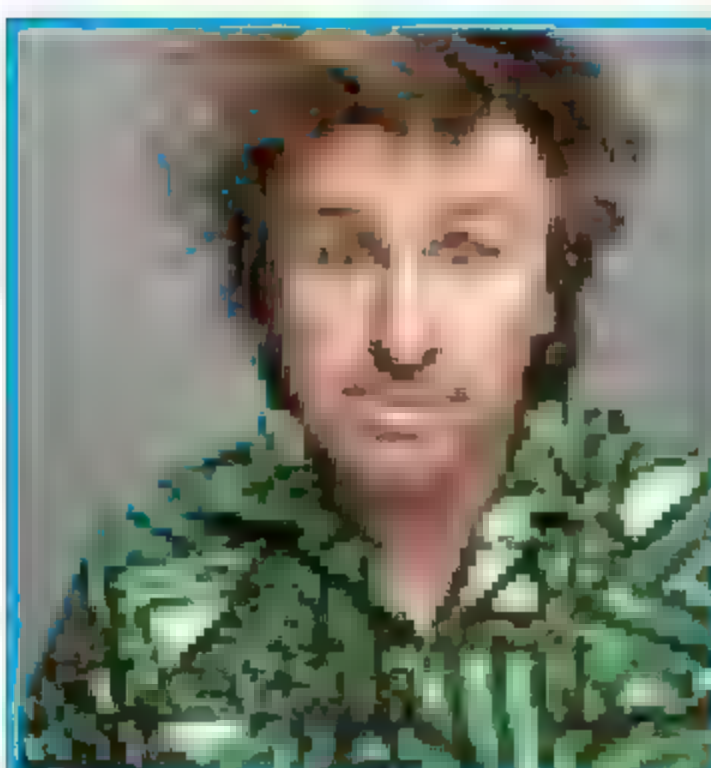
**THE BIG CHILLI**

Enjoy an evening of fine food and fiery female comedy, celebrating the legacy of the wonderful Tracey Miller. Eat, laugh and raise funds for Soft Touch Arts. Tickets £49 + Vat or £450 + Vat for a table of 10. Contact [chris@soft-touch.org.uk](mailto:chris@soft-touch.org.uk) to book tickets.

WORLD PREMIERE



EVENT

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 18:30 (22:30)**Venue:** Chutney Ivy Map Ref: 12**Entry:** By invite only

Big Difference presents

**THE BIG DIFFERENCE COMEDY FUNDRAISER**

Join us for an exclusive show with all proceeds going towards Leicester Comedy Festival and registered charity Big Difference Company (1135167). Join Milton Jones (Mock the Week, Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow, Live at the Apollo), with support from Nina Gilligan (Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year 2021), Emmanuel Sonubi (Dave's Best Newcomer nominee 2022), Scott Bennett (Live at the Apollo). Hosted by Thanyia Moore (Mock the Week).

MIXED BILL

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 19:30 (22:00)**Venue:** De Montfort Hall Map Ref: 16**Entry:** £22.50





Big Difference present

**THE BIRTHDAY SPECTACULAR**

The UK Kids' Comedy Festival is turning 5, and everyone's invited to the party! Join Jarred Christmas & Hobbit at this special half-show half-party featuring some of the best acts from the festival's past and present. Expect laughter, dancing, cake, party games, and prizes!  
[ukkidscomeyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomeyfestival.co.uk)

CHILDREN'S, MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	13:30 (15:00)
Venue:	Sue Townsend Theatre Map Ref: 43																			Entry:	£12 (£10)



Jokes On Us present

**THE BITE (LOVE BITES) - 2 HOUR MIXED STANDUP, VALENTINE'S SPECIAL**

A marvellous, mixed selection of several stunning stand-up acts come together on one night only, to create a raucous, wild & slightly unusual 2hr stand-up show. What better way to celebrate Valentine's Day than this weird & inclusive, delicious cross-section of comedy madness in one crazy bite-sized chunk served to your baffled comedy faces by the mischievous and gorgeous Stags and Ettrick-Hogg. You'll be talking about this for years to come!  
<https://the-bite.co.uk/>

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (21:30)
Venue:	Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want

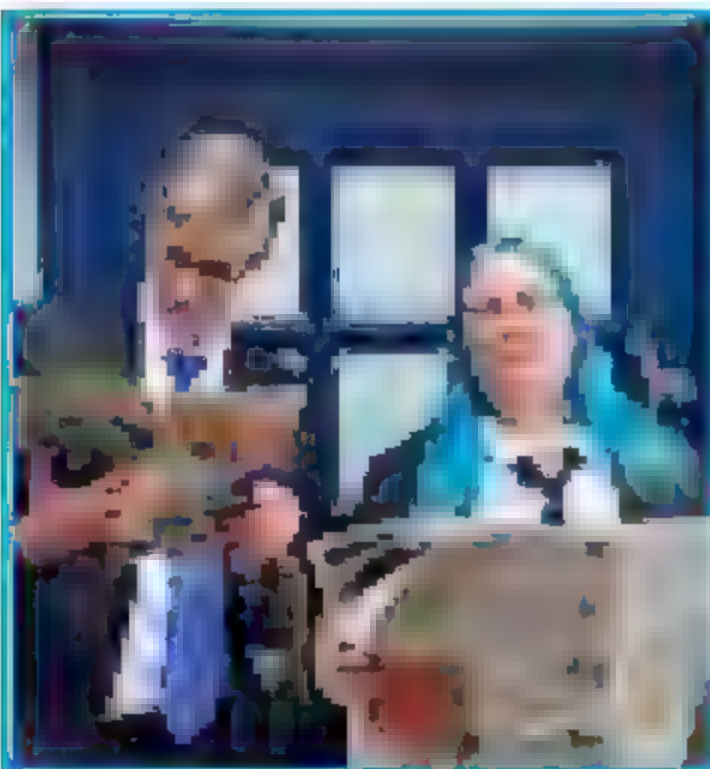


**THE CHRIS NORTON WALKER EXPERIENCE**

The now award winning comedian presents a gloriously inventive hour of one liners, jokes and puns, gags, and wordplay. Possibly the most jokes per hour in the festival. "Hilarious to watch" - LocalSecrets.com , "A fun, teasing way of keeping the audience on their toes" - Chortle/Steve Bennett , "Cementing his reputation as one of the best up and coming acts around" - Funny First Mondays  
[NortonWalker.com](http://NortonWalker.com)

WORLD PREMIERE  
STAND UP, INTERACTIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:45 (20:45)
Venue:	Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC																			Entry:	FREE or Pay What You Want



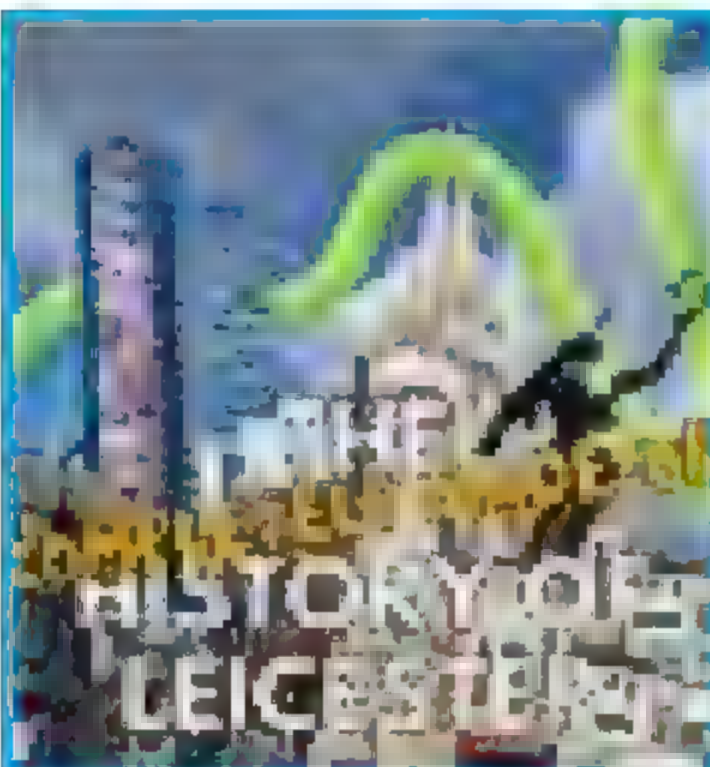
NCF & Late Stage Comedy present

**THE COMEDY FIRM OF CROSSLAND & WILKINSON**

The Comedy Firm of Crossland & Wilkinson is open for business, offering whimsies, jokes, silliness and hashtag bantz to suit every budget. With faces made for radio and personalities made for office jobs, comedians Emma Crossland and Sam Wilkinson bring their differently similar outlooks to bear against such hot potatoes as gender roles, museums, pretentiousness and, regrettably, a certain amount of bodily fluids.  
[crosslandandwilkinson.com](http://crosslandandwilkinson.com)

STAND UP

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	20:30 (21:30)
Venue:	Kayal Map Ref: 28																			Entry:	£5



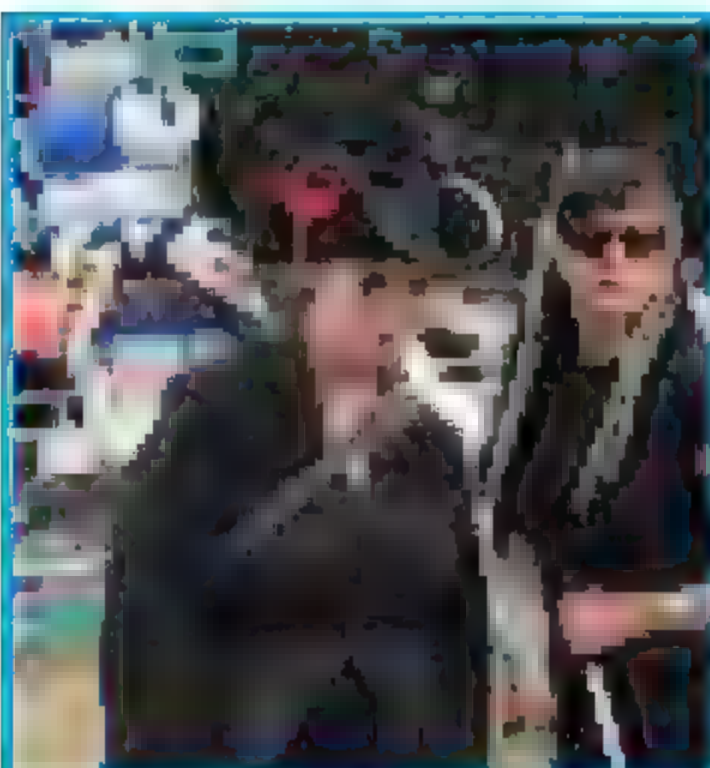
Big Difference present

**THE COMPLETELY MADE-UP HISTORY OF LEICESTER**

It's Leicester, but not quite as you know it.... On this walking trail, hear what the fabulous minds of Leicestershire primary schools have to say about the history of these Leicester landmarks. This a self-guided trail, use the app 'GoJauntly' on Android or iOS and search "The Completely Made-up History Of Leicester" from February 8th.  
[ukkidscomeyfestival.co.uk](http://ukkidscomeyfestival.co.uk)

CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	All day
Venue:	Joe Orton Square (starting point) Map Ref: 26																			Entry:	FREE



Comedy Writers Club in association with NCF & Late Stage Comedy presents

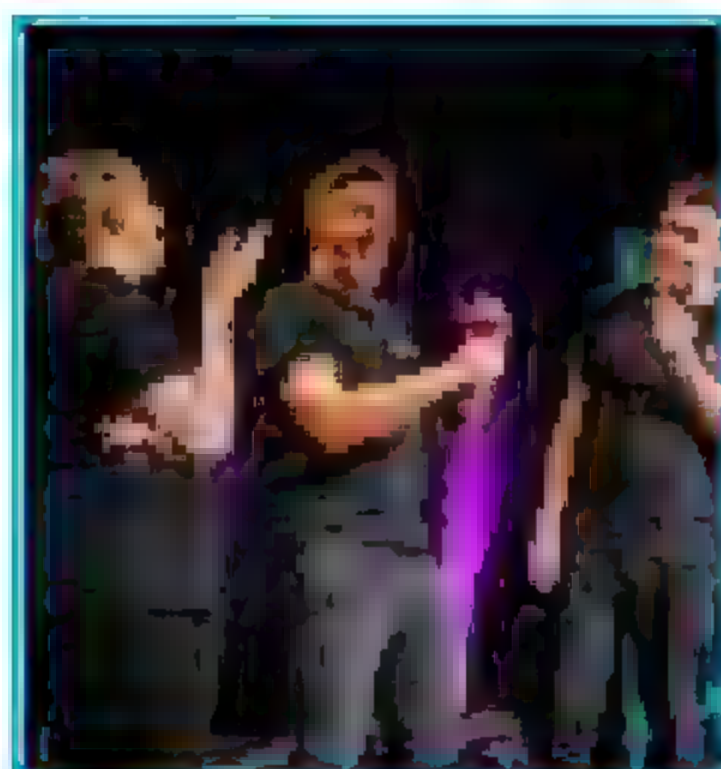
**THE DAEMONIC CARBOOT SALE**

We invite you to the prestigious & secretive Daemonic Car Boot Sale. You will be thrilled, terrified and quite possibly unwell when you hear the tales of objects from the forests of Transylvania, the back streets of New Orleans and the depths of Hull. Join your two curators of the extraordinary as they guide you through the magical objects and help you make your choice. Do not come alone. Do not leave alone. Permuta bona pro anima mea.

ALTERNATIVE, HORROR

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	22:00 (23:00)
Venue:	Kayal Map Ref: 28																			Entry:	£5 (£3)





Eye to Eye Entertainment & Shoe Cake Comedy present

### THE DISCOUNT COMEDY CHECKOUT - ADULT IMPROV SHOW

100% raw improvised sketch from Chris Lumb (BBC3: Russell Howards Good News), Natalie Smeaton (ITV1: Britain's Got Talent), and Phil Smith (BBC1: This is MY House). Never seen improv comedy before? All the games & scenarios are all created from your suggestions ... that's right YOU, the audience. It's 'Whose Line is it Anyway' with a modern twist ... and often a little riskier & ruder too! 'Total fun and instantly engaging' - \*\*\*\*\* WHODARESGRINS

[www.comedycheckout.com](http://www.comedycheckout.com)

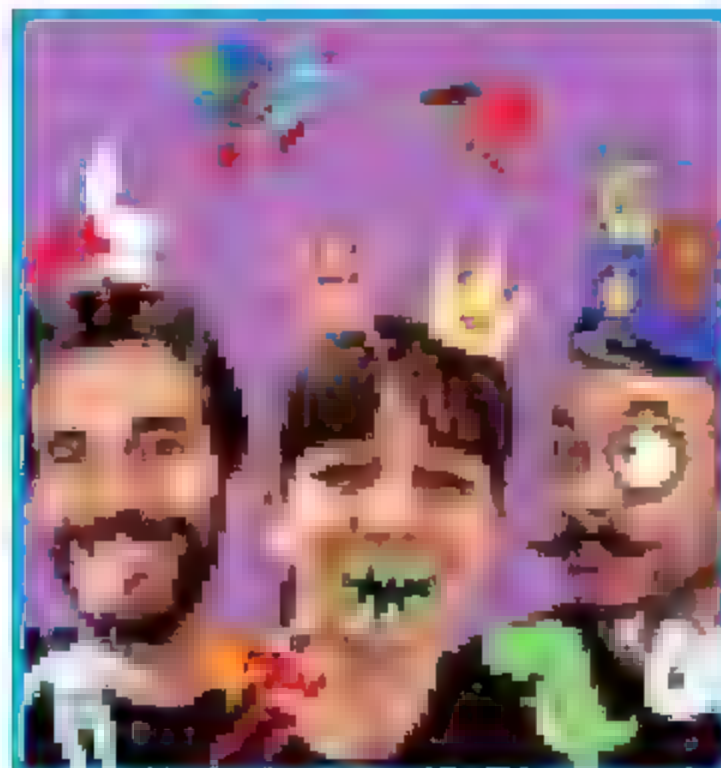
IMPROV, SKETCH

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:30 (18:30)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £6



Eye to Eye Entertainment & Shoe Cake Comedy present

### THE DISCOUNT COMEDY CHECKOUT - IMPROVISED FAMILY SHOW

Children's ideas, suggestions & stories are brought to life by talented comedy improvisers Chris Lumb, Nat Smeaton & Phil Allan-Smith. A big hit with festivals & schools up and down the country, all the stories the kids (and adults) come up with will be created in front of your very eyes! Suitable for ages 6+ Nominated for 'Best Kids Show' at the 2022 Leicester Comedy Festival. 'One of the funniest family shows we've ever had' - \*\*\*\*\* Tuned In!

[www.comedycheckout.com](http://www.comedycheckout.com)

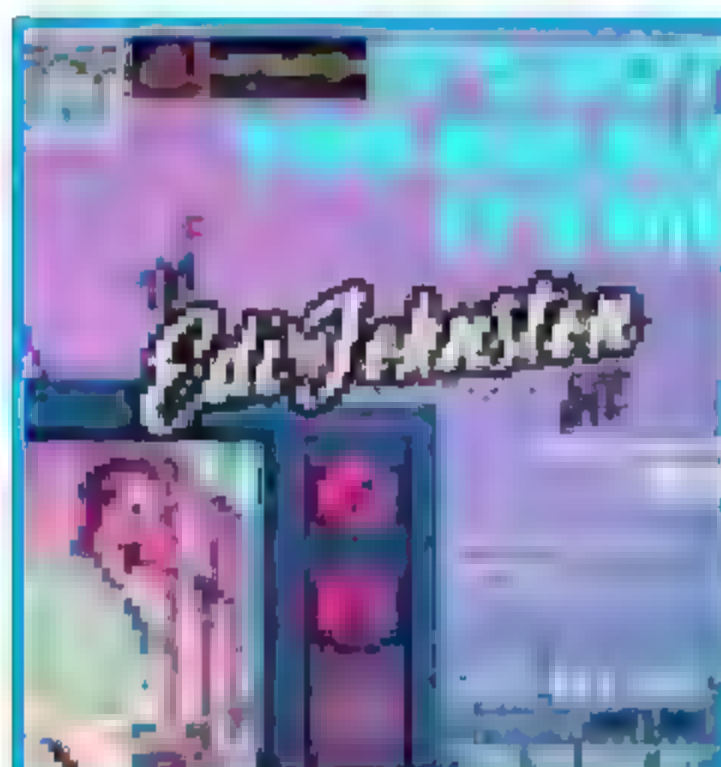
CHILDREN'S, IMPROV

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 13:00 (14:00)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £6



Jokes On Us Present

### THE EDI JOHNSTON BIT : IT'S NOT YOU-KULELE, IT'S ME!

Welcome to my house. Come in. Get comfy & have a brew. If you're lucky there may also be biscuits\* This is more than just the usual collection of songs, it's a show to take you on a journey through the life of this award winning musical comedy songwriter. Beyond the songs, it will bring an insight into the trials & tribulations of a middle aged, middle class, ginger, tea drinking, comfortable shoe wearing rapper & singer. \*not Rich Teas

[www.edijohnstonbit.com](http://www.edijohnstonbit.com)

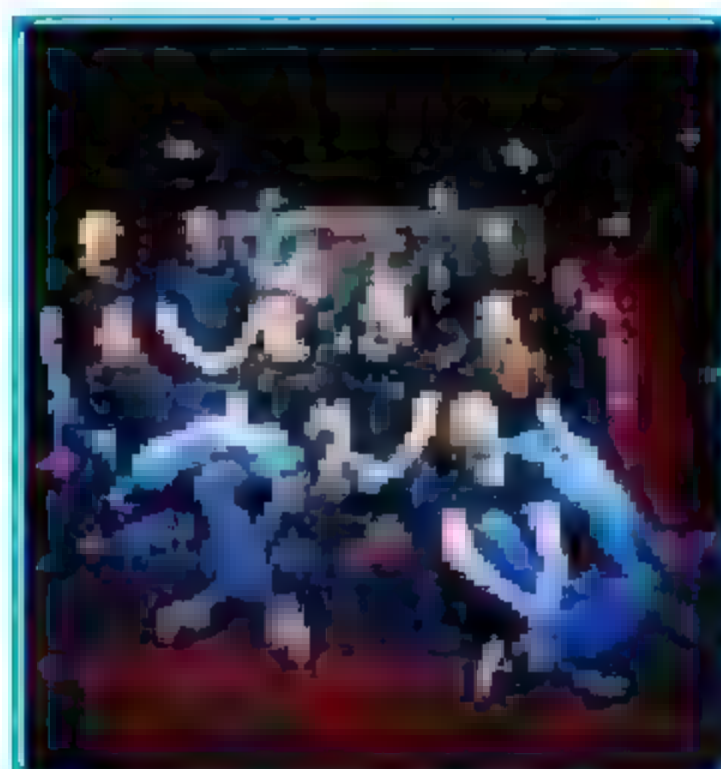
MUSICAL, FAMILY

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:45 (20:45)

Venue: Manhattan 34 Map Ref: 35

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Furthest from the Sea in association with Leamprov presents

### THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM: AN IMPROVISED COMEDY SHOW

Leamprov, the premier Improvised Comedy troupe in Leamington Spa brings you 'The Elephant in the Room'; a quick-fire improvised sketch show in the style of 'Who's Line is it Anyway?'. The Elephant in the room is... we have no idea what the show will be about! We will be providing you with death-defying improv, fast paced performing and silly short comedy sketches crafted from suggestions from the audience and made up completely on the fly.

[leamprov@gmail.com](mailto:leamprov@gmail.com)

IMPROV, SKETCH

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 15:00 (16:00)

Venue: Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: £5



Oh So Funny Comedy

### THE EXTRAORDINARY TIME-TRAVELLING ADVENTURES OF BARON MUNCHAUSEN

Amazing tales elegantly told. There will be pirates and princesses, unicorns and dragons, swordfights and spacemen, and all of it is completely and irrefutably true. Top award-winning comedians and improvisors tell extravagant stories all based on the Adventures of Baron Munchausen. Leicester Comedy Festival "Best Children's Show 2020" WINNER. "a joyous show of wit, sparkle & happiness" Broadway Baby \*\*\*\*\* "All of the show was brilliant!" Festmag

[timetravellingbaron.com](http://timetravellingbaron.com)

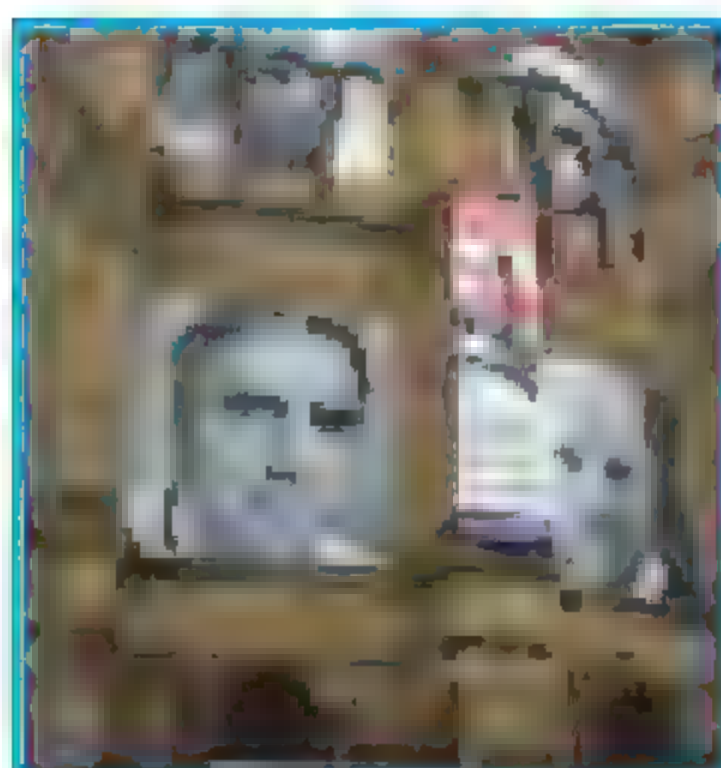
CHILDREN'S, STORYTELLING

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 22nd & 23rd 11:00 | 24th 13:00 (1hr)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4

Entry: £6 (£5)



Big Difference presents

### THE FUTURE OF THE EDINBURGH FRINGE FESTIVAL

The Edinburgh Festival Fringe is the world's largest arts festival, and regularly features thousands of performances in hundreds of venues. It's (mostly) brilliant! In recent years the Fringe has come under criticism from some members of the comedy industry and there are some problems which don't seem to go away. Join Kate Copstick, Sian Davies and our panel for a chat about what the problems are, and how we might work together to fix them.

DISCUSSION

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 16:00 (17:00)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE





Big Difference present

# THE FUTURE OF THE LIVE COMEDY ASSOCIATION

The LCA was set up in 2020, in response to the Covid pandemic to help ensure the sector "survives and thrives in the face of Covid-19 and beyond". It had some significant successes, not least the #savelivecomedy campaign, but what is the future for the LCA post-pandemic? Does the sector need a membership body to help advocate for, and support, those working in live comedy. Join a panel who will discuss what the future might look like.

DISCUSSION

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Time: 14:00 (15:00)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4

Entry: FREE



# "THE HAIRY INDIAN BIKERS" WITHOUT THE BIKES (BECAUSE OUR MUMS WON'T LET US)

Join hairy Indians Tharun Chelley and Hitz Unadkat as they join forces to provide you with pure laughter for an hour! They're a bit like the Hairy Bikers but they're not allowed to ride motorbikes as their mums say motorbikes are too dangerous. So basically, they're not like the Hairy Bikers at all.. They're just a bunch of hairy Indians doing stand-up comedy! Tharun and Hitz are two of the finest up and coming Indian comedians on the circuit.

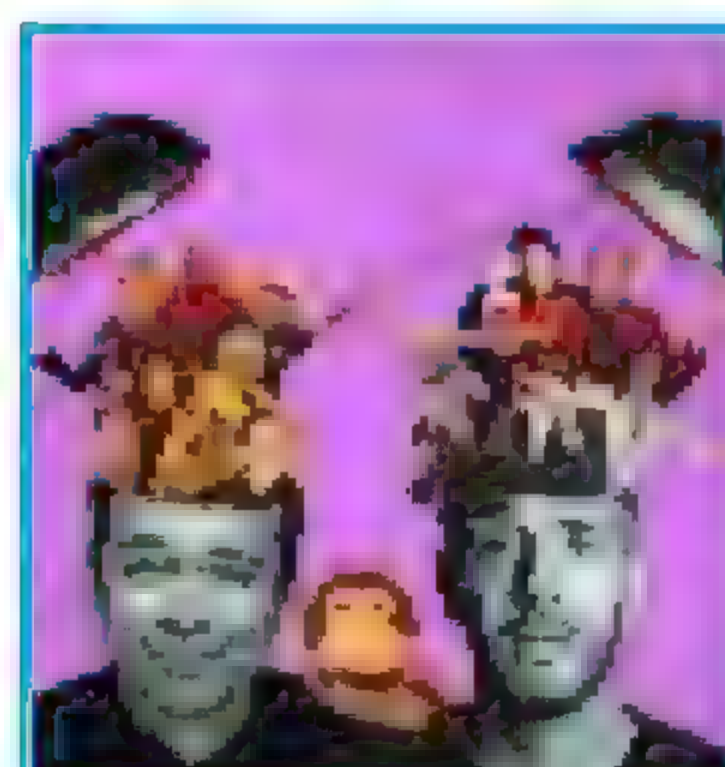
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Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Eye to Eye Entertainment &amp; Shoe Cake Comedy present

# THE HALLS OF RIDICULOUS - IMPROVISED SKETCH SHOW

Alternative northern double act The Halls of Ridiculous push the boundaries of improv, sketch & character creativity to the max with their quick thinking scenes, zany special guests & quirky approach to performance. Feat: Chris Lumb (BBC Three: Russell Howard's Good News) & Phil Allan-Smith (BBC One: This is My House). 'A euphoric experience. Amazing' - \*\*\*\*\* EdFringe Review 'An AMAZING show of comedy, characters & sketches' - Patrick Monahan

[www.eyetoeyeevents.com](http://www.eyetoeyeevents.com)

SKETCH, IMPROV

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: BrewDog Map Ref: 10

Entry: £6



# THE HOOVERING PODCAST LIVE WITH HOST JESSICA FOSTEKEW

Welcome to HOOVERING! The podcast about eating. Host, Jessica Fostekeew (QI, Live at the Apollo, Motherland) joins superstar guests to eat, scoff snaffle-up... hoover... some of Leicester's most delicious food and talk up all the most glorious, awful and funny things to do with eating. Do you eat? Then you should probably come. You'll need to bring snacks for absolute defo. Recommended in The Guardian and The Independent

PODCAST

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 15:00 (16:00)

Venue: BrewDog Map Ref: 10

Entry: £8



Big Difference presents

# THE LATE NIGHT COMEDY CLUB

Fancy some late night laughs in the festival's quirkiest venue? Of course you do... Each Saturday we present a selection of handpicked festival acts guaranteed to make you giggle. Previous guests include Eshaan Akbar, Josh Pugh, Thanyia Moore, Jessica Fostekeew, Katie Pritchard, Sian Davies, Bilal Zafar, Priya Hall, Myra Dubois. Check web listing and socials for line-ups.

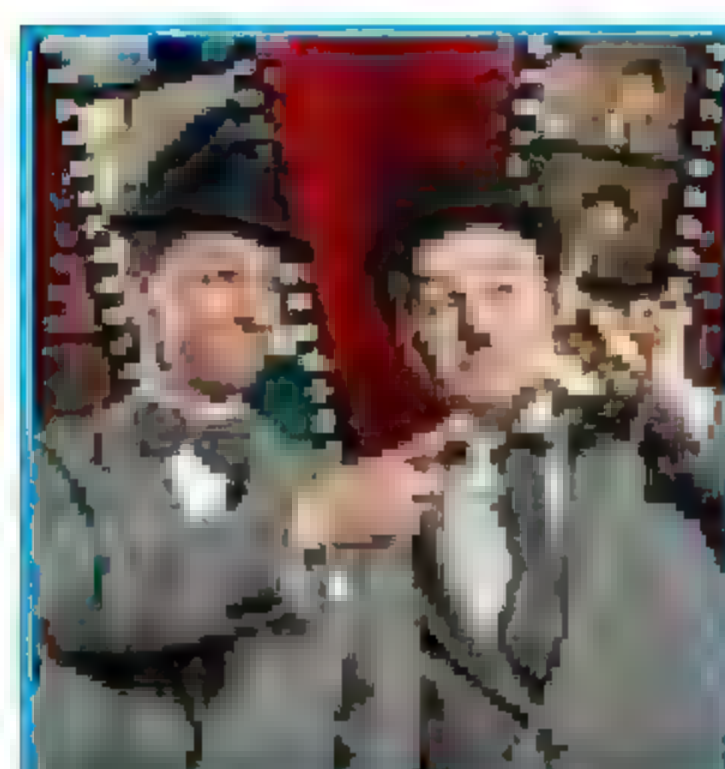
MIXED BILL

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Time: 22:00 (23:30)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £10



Lucky Dog Theatre Productions

# THE LAUREL & HARDY CABARET

Lucky Dog are generally regarded as being the best Laurel and Hardy re-enactors in the world. 'The Laurel & Hardy Cabaret' is a bumper package of routines, songs and dances from The Boys' 30-year career. Featuring some classic movie sequences and songs, along with some hilarious Music Hall sketches the pair toured in the 1940s and 50s, you will be transported back to a more innocent time - yet still be amazed at how current their comedy remains.

[www.luckydogtheatreproductions.com](http://www.luckydogtheatreproductions.com)

SKETCH, FAMILY

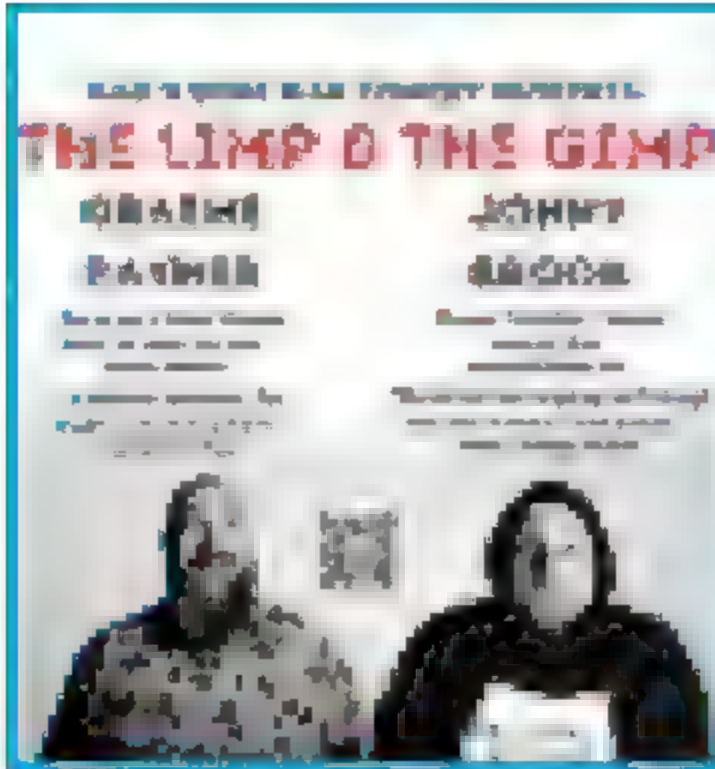
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Entry: £10 (£8)





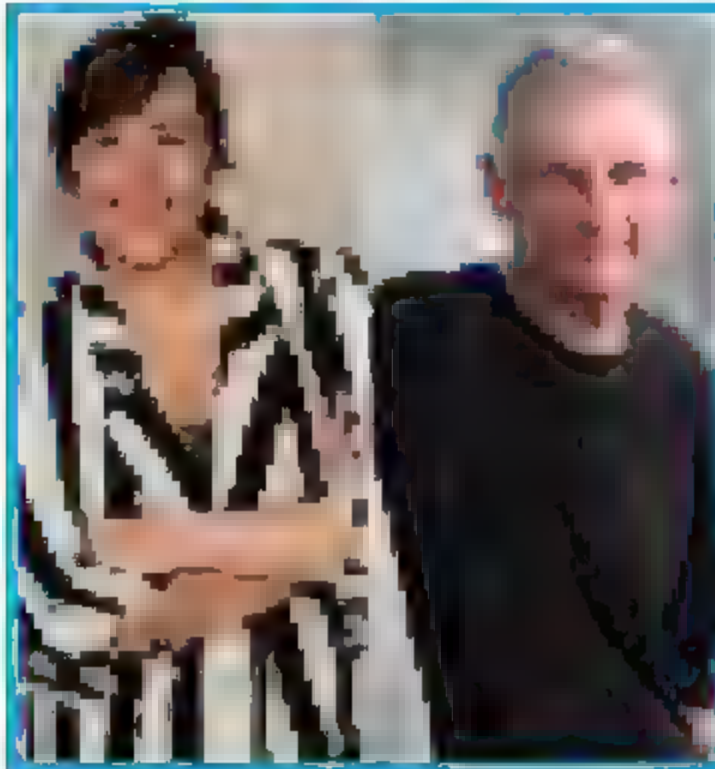
Gag N Bone Man Comedy presents

**THE LIMP AND THE GIMP**

Gag N Bone Man Comedy presents "The Limp & The Gimp" - An hour of live stand up comedy (well, half of it will be sat down) featuring "The Limp" - Graeme Rayner and "The Gimp" - Jonny Brook (Yorkshire Comedy Awards 2022 Breakthrough Act winner). Graeme will tell you all about life as a middle-aged husband and father with poor mental health and sexual performance issues, and Jonny will speak about his knackered legs and incoming diabetes

<https://www.gagnboman.com/limpgimp>


STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
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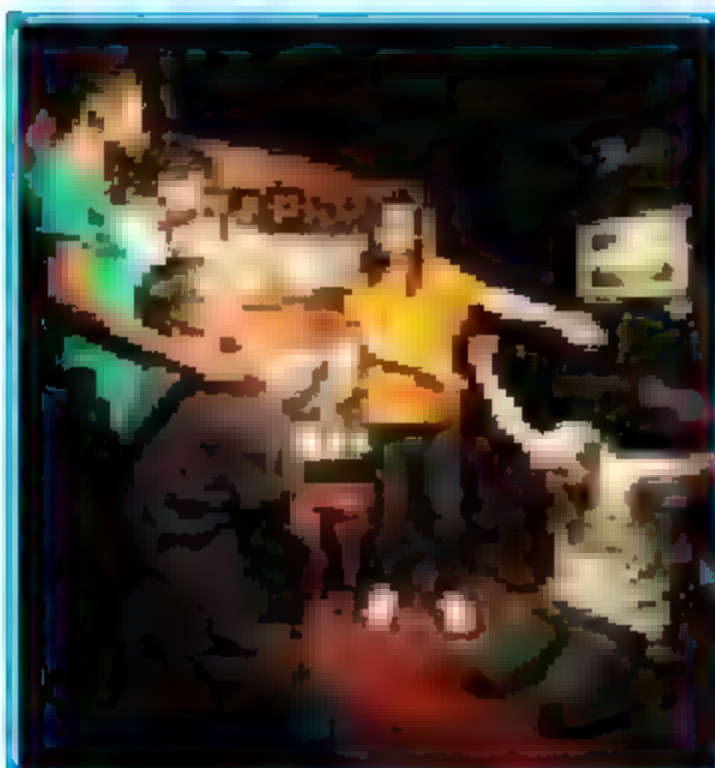
Zed Alley Comedy present

**THE LONG AND THE SHORT OF IT**

Bristol based stand ups Jaleelah and Walter who have a combined age of 102 and height of 11ft bring you an hour of comedy that covers cupboards, cervixes and kitchens. If you like comedy that's like a warm hug and free jelly babies then come join them. Walter Jack: 'Refreshingly original, had the whole audience in stitches' Comedy Chest, Bristol. Jaleelah Galbraith: 'Offers consistent witty and laugh-out-loud moments - \*\*\*\*\*' Broadway Baby



STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 18:00 (19:00)**Venue:** The Globe Map Ref: 50**Entry:** FREE

Leamprov Presents

**THE LONG SHOT**

Leamprov invites you to get creative in their improvised long-form comedy show, based entirely on audience members' drawings! Watch the fun unfold as Leamington Spa's premier improv troupe turns your artwork into a series of loosely connected scenes, stories and sketches, in a night of hilarity where anything can happen!

[www.Leamprov.com](http://www.Leamprov.com)


IMPROV, THEATRE

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 21:00 (22:00)**Venue:** The Globe Map Ref: 50**Entry:** £5

Thomas Dixon Presents

**THE MAGIC MIC**

The Best Magic Open Mic in Leicester - Comedy Edition! Professional and newcomer magicians present their newest material. You will get a chance to experience a range of different styles of magic: comedy magic, mentalism, spooky, classic magic and much, much more! Some of it will be great, and some of it will need some work, but you will get the perfect seat to watch a magician on his toes working hard to amaze you!

[www.thomasdixonmagic.com](http://www.thomasdixonmagic.com)


MAGIC, CABARET

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 21:00 (22:30)**Venue:** Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61**Entry:** £7 (£5)

Millerbor productions presents

**THE OLDEST COMEDY CLUB IN BRITAIN**

A documentary about the iconic comedy venue Downstairs at The Kings Head, the oldest comedy club in Britain. The film includes interviews with some of the nations most famous comedians including Seann Walsh, Nick Helm, Miles Jupp and presented by Stewart Lee. Filmed by award winning comedian and filmmaker Joe Bor.



FILM

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 17:30 (18:30)**Venue:** Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: TBC**Entry:** £2.50

Jokes On Us present

**THE OXFORD IMPS**

Oxford's wittiest minds return with their spectacular smorgasbord of devastatingly funny improvised comedy! Attacking the stage with made-up-on-the-spot games, stories and songs, culminating in an improvised mini-play, which can vary from Shakespeare to Broadway-style musicals. Family-friendly imp-tastic hilarity from Oxford's premiere troupe, making for a show full of quick wit and boundless energy. Nominated for Best Impro Show at LCF 2020.

<https://www.oxfordimps.com/>


IMPROV, FAMILY

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 14:50 (15:50)**Venue:** Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23**Entry:** FREE or Pay What You Want





Monster Comedy Presents

THE PAK & SPAC SHOW

Two minorities challenging perceptions. 'Not for the faint hearted/ snow flakes,' say Lovdev and Ricky

REGIONAL PREMIERE



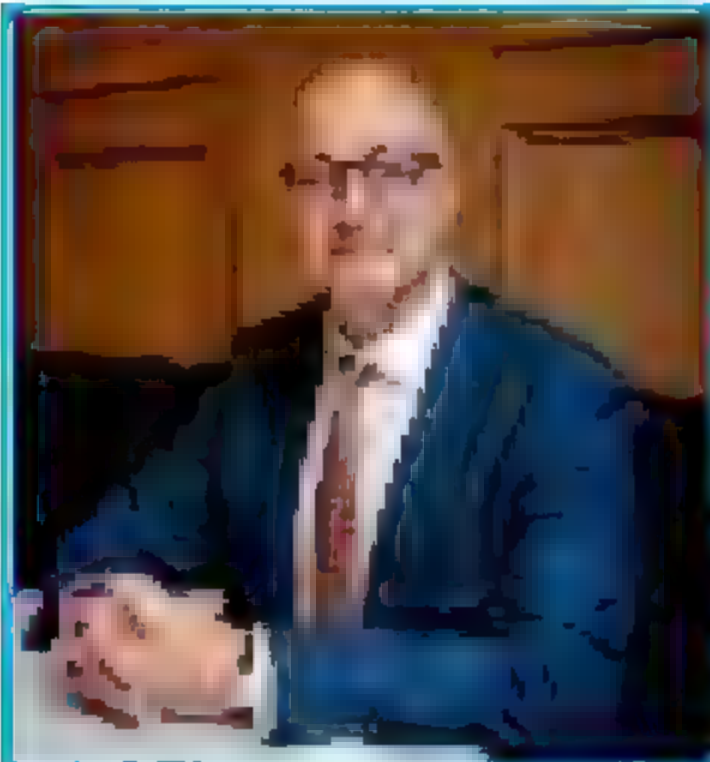
STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



THE POINT OF LAUGHTER

Simon Fanshawe OBE 1st performed stand-up 40 years ago & won the Perrier Award in 1989. In 1992 he quit performing. Last year, this activist, writer & broadcaster returned to the stage after thirty years. Join him and Sophie Scott CBE (Professor of Cognitive Neuroscience at University College London & regular on Radio 4's The Infinite Monkey Cage) as they discuss the point of laughter.



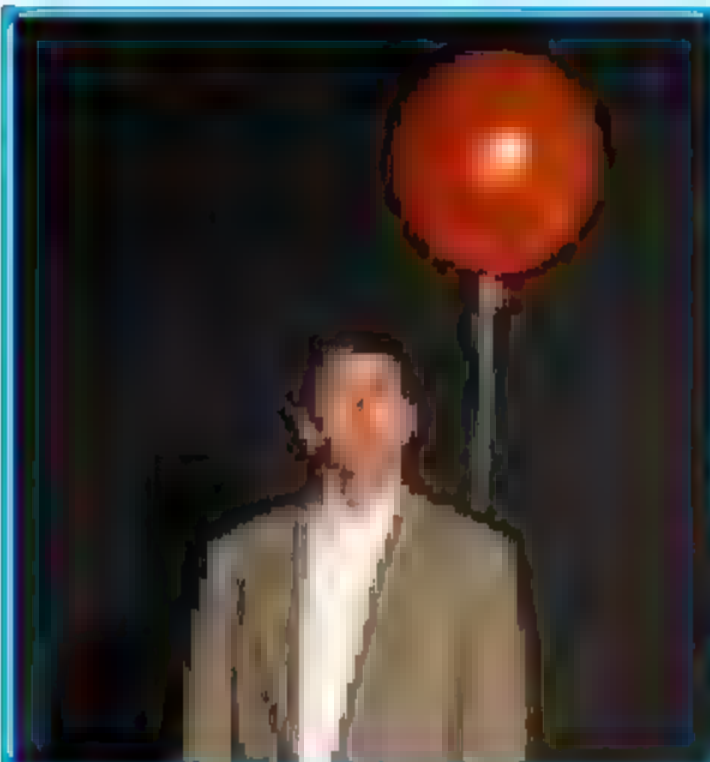
DISCUSSION

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Time: 14:00 (15:00)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE



Lucky Dog Theatre Productions

THE RED BALLOON

Pascal lives a lonely life with his mother in Paris. On his way to school one day, he finds a red balloon and together they discover the true meaning of friendship. Tony (Pascal) and Philip (everyone else) make this internationally-loved story equal parts charming, touching, funny and silly. The show is suitable for all the family. \*\*\*\*\* Fringe TheatreFest / \*\*\*\*\* FringeReview / \*\*\*\*\* Summerhall Radio Review / \*\*\*\*\* Buxton Fringe Review

[www.luckydogtheatreproductions.com](http://www.luckydogtheatreproductions.com)

REGIONAL PREMIERE



FAMILY, STORYTELLING

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Time: 14:00 (14:35)

Venue: The Guildhall Map Ref: TBC

Entry: £7 (£5)



Blue Jeans Management Proudly Presents

THE RETURN OF THE MIGHTY KIDS BEATBOX COMEDY SHOW

Direct from sell out shows at London's Southbank Centre and the Edinburgh festival. As recommended in The Week Junior. Are you a kid? Do you like music, laughing and whack-a-doodle-noodle craziness? Grab your pet adult and join us! Award-winning comedian Jarred Christmas and world champion beatboxer Hobbit bring a brand-new show packed with interactive jokes, silly billyness, beatboxing, and epic sounds created by you!

[www.mightykidsbeatboxcomedy.com](http://www.mightykidsbeatboxcomedy.com)



CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 15:30 (16:30)

Venue: The Y Theatre Map Ref: TBC

Entry: £10 (£8)



The two-time Leicester Comedy Festival award finalists present...

THE SAME FACES: IMPROV SMACKDOWN 2023

The Same Faces are proud to present Improv Smackdown 2023, returning to Leicester for a seventh year. Refereed by The Same Faces' own, Tom Young, 8 of the country's best improvisers go head-to-head, in order to be declared the Smackdown Champion of 2023. But here's the twist: it's an improv show, so they have to work together! Reigning champion Rick Falcon will be back to defend his crown, but can he retain it for a second consecutive victory?

[www.thesamefaces.co.uk](http://www.thesamefaces.co.uk)



IMPROV, GAME SHOW

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Time: 19:00 (21:30)

Venue: Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61

Entry: £8 (£6)



The two-time Leicester Comedy Festival award finalists present...

THE SAME FACES: IMPROVISED COMEDY

Leicester's own improv group, The Same Faces return for their eighth year at Leicester Comedy Festival, with another round of improvised silliness. This short-form show will feature scenes, games, songs and one liners, all completely made up on the spot. Regulars Tom Young, Allan Smith, and Dave Gotheridge will be joined by some of their talented friends, in order to bring you some of the best improvisation in the midlands, if not the country!

[www.thesamefaces.co.uk](http://www.thesamefaces.co.uk)



IMPROV, THEATRE

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Time: 20:30 (22:30)

Venue: Wygston's House Map Ref: 65

Entry: £8 (£6)





Jokes On Us present

**THE SISTERS KARAZMATIK AND FRIENDS, IMPROV SHOW**

If you like your improv sassy and sharp, and just a little outré, then join the Sisters Karazmatik and friends for an hour of fresh and exciting improv. The show will be a series of totally improvised sketches, inspired entirely from audience suggestions. A perfect introduction for newcomers to improv, as well as a fabulous show for those with more... discerning tastes.



IMPROV

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Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



CSzUK

**THE TOTALLY IMPROVISED MUSICAL**

Join this talented team of award-winning improvisers for a night of songs and laughter! Every night is opening night as these top comics compose a brand new musical from your suggested titles. If you like musicals, this is the show for you. If you like comedy, this is also the show for you! "The team have certainly earned their title of 'North-West's top improvised comedy troupe'" North West End

[www.comedysportz.co.uk/themusical](http://www.comedysportz.co.uk/themusical)

IMPROV, MUSICAL

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Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £8 (£7)



Big Difference &amp; De Montfort Hall present

**THE UK PUN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

A sell-out success in previous years, The UK Pun Championships return to De Montfort Hall, as the grand finale of #UKPunDay. Comedians from across the country compete in this Leicester Comedy Festival favourite for the UK Pun Champion crown. Join us and host Jason Byrne, as we celebrate the humble pun and 30 years of Leicester Comedy Festival. 'A pantomime atmosphere.' Chortle



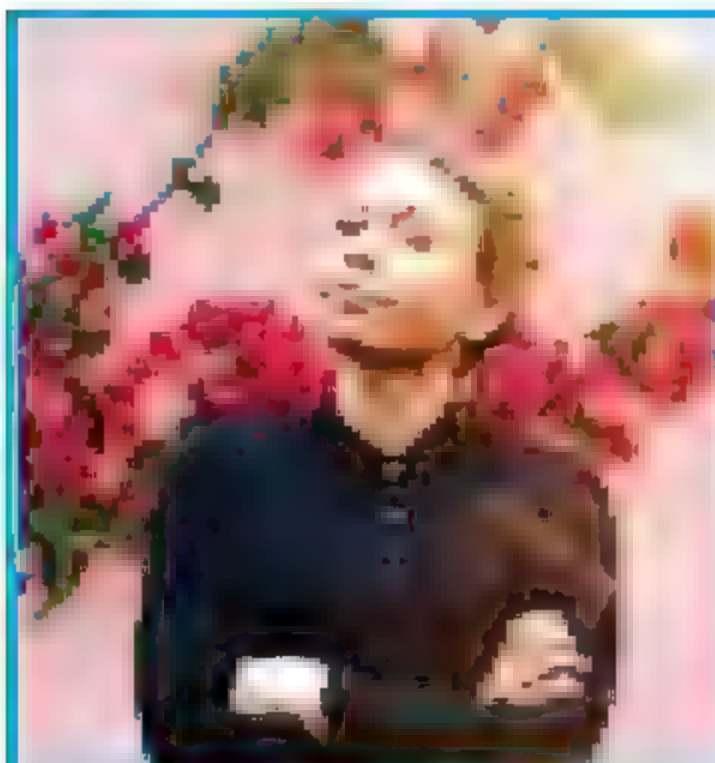
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Venue: De Montfort Hall Map Ref: 16

Entry: £12.50 - £23

**THE UNBEARABLE LIGHTNESS OF THE BRIGHT PINK ORCHID**

The dishwasher in the corner of the office has a sign on it that reads 'empty, please fill me' - Cress feels closer to that than anyone else on the 'team', - even when they give her a barbie pink orchid as a well-intentioned parting gift. An hour of stand-up comedy with up and coming comedian Cressida Wetton (BBC Radio 4 Extra). "Captivating presence, great response" - The Stand.

[cressidawetton.com](http://cressidawetton.com)

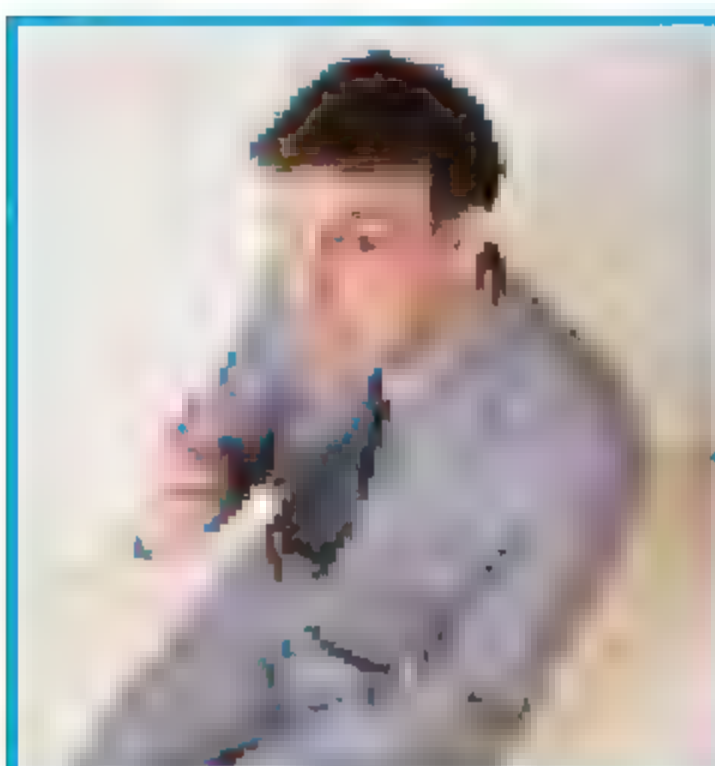
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Venue: Wygston's House Map Ref: 65

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Monster Comedy presents

**THE UNPRONOUNCEABLES**

Demitris Deech & Griff are two of the hottest comedians around. In this Two-Hander, they each perform their unique 30 minute shows. In 2021, they kept on meeting each other at the various comedy clubs and their styles suited each other so much, they decided to perform at the Leicester Comedy Festival.



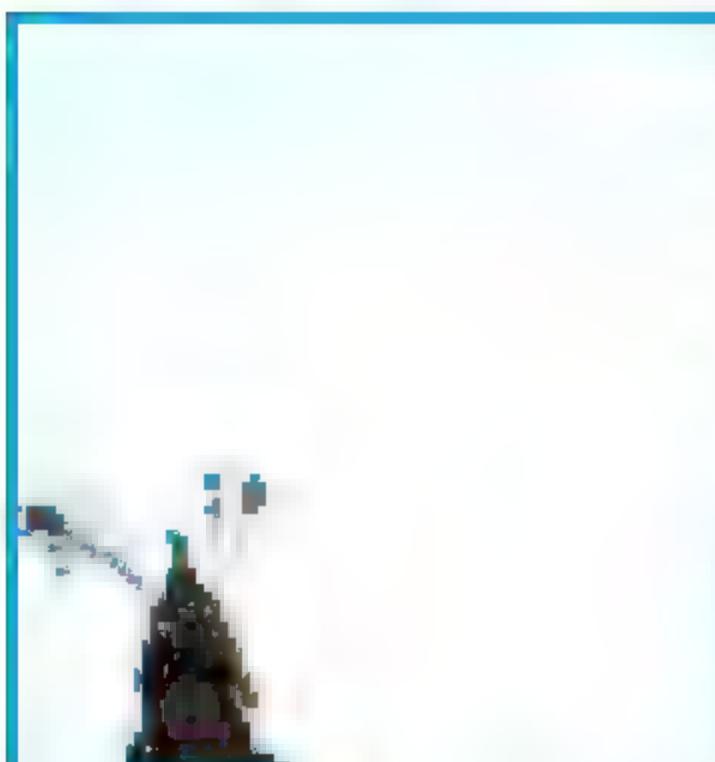
STAND UP, SATIRE

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Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want

**THE WONDERFULL DISCOVERIE OF WITCHES IN THE COUNTIE OF EDY HURST (WIP)**

WORLD PREMIERE



Hark! Discoveries in the Hurst family reveal ancestry to women accused in the infamous Witchcraft trials of Lancashire, 1612. With the magick deep in his bones, he's embarking on a vision quest beyond our reality. Will he receive a single beam of inspiration, or will he keep being haunted by the Vengaboys. What's that about? Best Comedy Show Nominee Buxton Fringe, Seen on BBC Radio 4, Next Up Comedy. Part of Developed With The Lowry

[www.edyhurst.co.uk](http://www.edyhurst.co.uk)

ALTERNATIVE, STORYTELLING

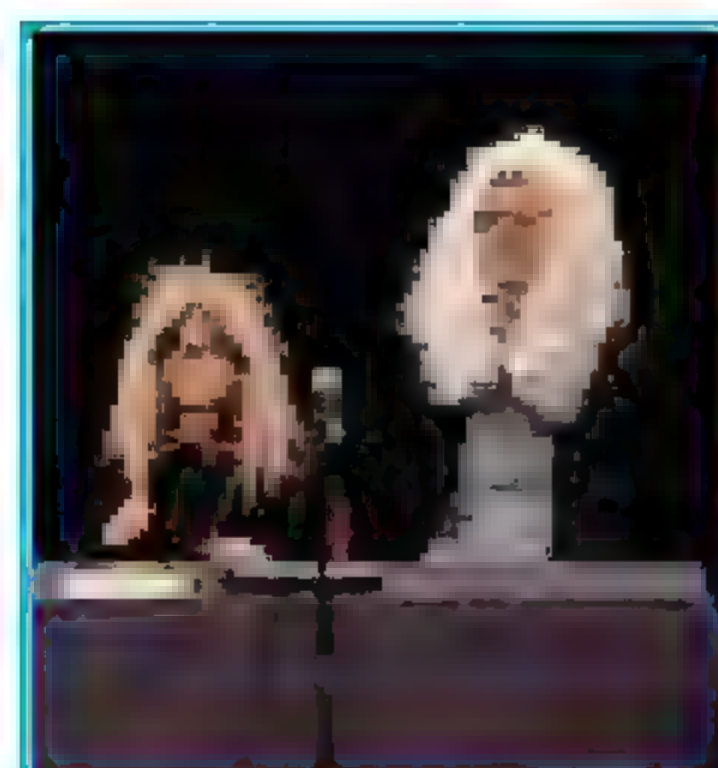
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Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £5





This is Your Laugh Presents

### THIS IS YOUR TRIAL - FAMILY FRIENDLY

The award-winning, This Is Your Trial (Best Children & Families Show - International Youth Arts Festival) and smash hit CBBC tv show "Monster Court" has teamed up with Kids' Court, the popular Leicester Comedy Festival show. With comedians in roles of Judge, Prosecution and Defence, kids accuse parents, parents accuse kids, of 'crimes'. The audience is jury deciding guilt or innocence.

<https://www.thisisyourtrial.com>

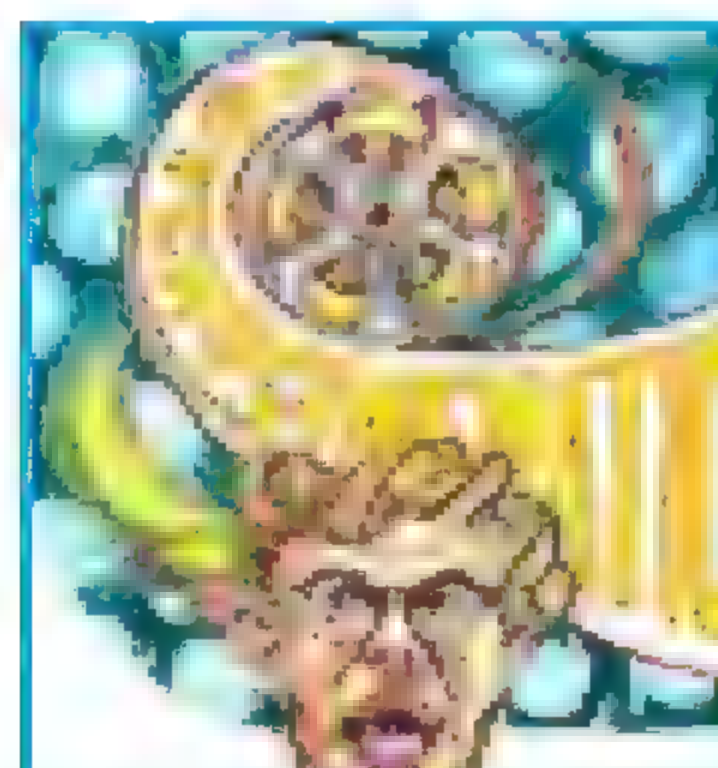
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Time: 15:30 (16:30)

Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: 4

Entry: £5



(No) Money in the Bank present

### THOM BEE: PSYCHOCINEMATIC

Psychocinematic is a thinly veiled attempt for Thom to come to terms with his own volatile mental health and BPD. It smushes stand-up with a lifelong fixation on horror, yielding uplifting results that will make you howl with laughter, fondly cringe at the 00s, and slightly worry about Thom's well-being. A must-see for anyone who gets way too into movies and reads into their own mental health, which is all of us...right?

[www.nomoneyinthebank.com](http://www.nomoneyinthebank.com)

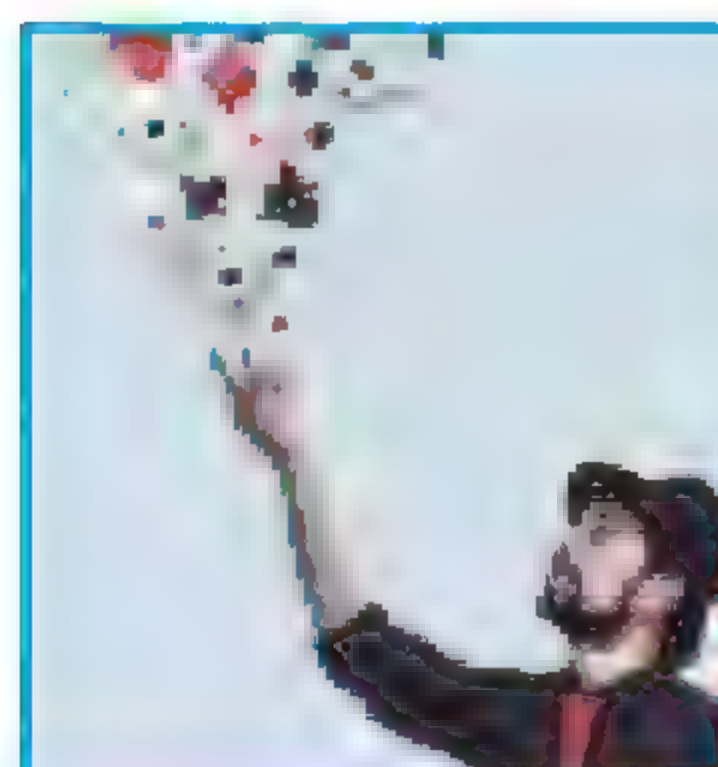
STAND UP, ALTERNATIVE

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Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Thomas Dixon Presents

### THOMAS DIXON: THE SECRETS OF MAGIC

Is it just tricks or magic? What's the difference? Thomas will answer these questions and reveal some of the deepest secrets of magic! You will learn what it takes to become a magician and what happens behind the curtains. A magic show with audience participation, hilarious moments, escapism, mind reading, impossible predictions and mind-blowing moments. You are not just going to see tricks; you will experience magic!

[www.thomasdixonmagic.com](http://www.thomasdixonmagic.com)

MAGIC, CABARET

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Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61

Entry: £8 (£6)



Tickled Pink Comedy presents

### TICKLED PINK ALL STAR FEMALE COMEDY NIGHT

Judith started producing and hosting her Tickled Pink Comedy Night in 2018 doing monthly live shows. Judith saw the lack of diversity in comedy nights and wanted to try and address this. This comedy show showcases women in comedy and EVERYONE is welcome. Currently enjoying sell out London shows. Nominated for Best Promoter by Leicester Comedy Festival 2021.

MIXED BILL

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Time: 20:00 (22:00)

Venue: The Y Theatre Map Ref: TBC

Entry: £10 (£5)



JESTERS Dublin in association with Furthest from the Sea

### TINDER TALES

Tinder Tales is what it says on tin. Some comics telling dating stories with the audience getting the chance to share or vent or de-stress but mainly to have some fun

WORLD PREMIERE

EVENT, GAME SHOW

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Time: 22:00 (23:00)

Venue: Knight &amp; Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



### TINY STORIES

We're Tiny Stories, and that's what we like to tell! From the people you walk by in the street, sit beside in a café, or hear shouting from a third-floor window: everyone has their own story. Using audience suggestions, we dip briefly into these lives and explore the worlds we miss all around us. Weird, wonderful chaotic improv from the East Midlands' tiniest storysmiths. "Weird, funny and delightful" "Fantastic show! A brilliant team"

IMPROV, STORYTELLING

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Venue: Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61

Entry: £8





Phil McIntyre Live Ltd Proudly Present

REGIONAL  
PREMIERE**TOM HOUGHTON: ABSOLUTE SHAMBLES**

After an incredible sold-out debut run, the man who asked us "do you ski?" is leaving his home in the Tower of London (for good). Catch him as he departs on a second triumphant tour across our nation armed with even more outrageous takes, unbelievable tales and biblical chat to leave you bowled over with laughter. As seen on Comedy Central and tour support for Milton Jones. "Tour de force" The Daily Telegraph

<https://honourabletom.com/>

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 18:30 (19:30)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £12 (£10)

**TOM LAWRIKINSON: HUBBA HUBBA**WORLD  
PREMIERE

Tom Lawrinson presents 'Hubba Hubba' a stand up show with weird, wonderful and completely unexpected punchlines. If you like big laughs, mad jokes and a positive atmosphere then this is the show for you. Come along, I can't stress how cheeky it's gonna be. Over 100 Million Views online with his sketches on TikTok and Instagram. "Wonderful, If slightly horrific!" Jon Ronson

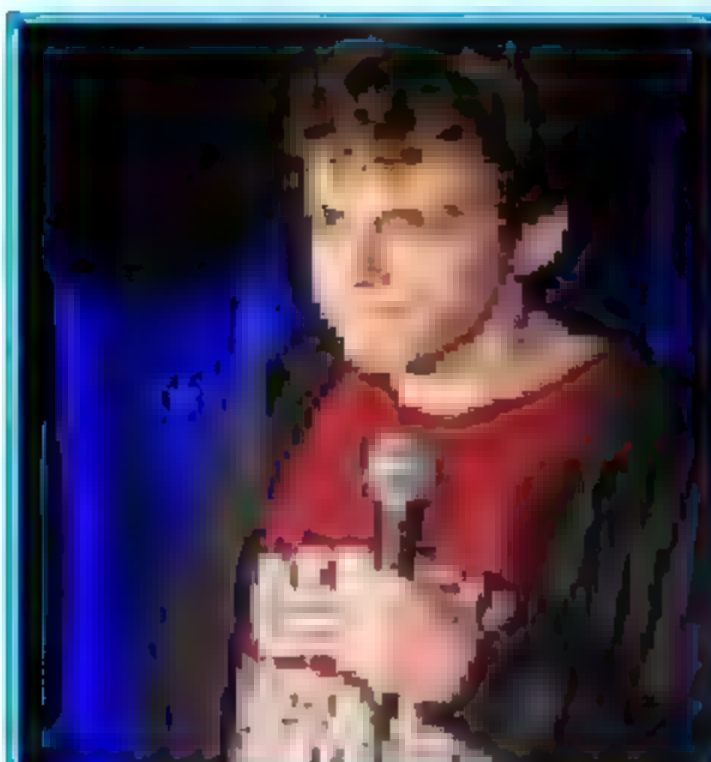
STAND UP

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Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: The Guildhall Map Ref: 53

Entry: £10



Tom Little

REGIONAL  
PREMIERE**TOM LITTLE HAS GOOD REVIEWS SO PREPARE TO BE IMPRESSED**

'The real deal. An instinctive comedian... could end up in movies' (Spectator). 'Inventive, unexpected and often very silly... can't remain a hidden treasure for long' (Chortle.co.uk). 'His elevation to TV panel show favourite is surely only a matter of time' (TheWeeReview.com). 'A huge talent' (Scotsman). 'An unashamed crowd-pleaser' (BeyondTheJoke.co.uk). 'Gut-wrenchingly funny' (FringeReview.co.uk). So there. Beat that!

<https://thisistomlittle.wordpress.com/>

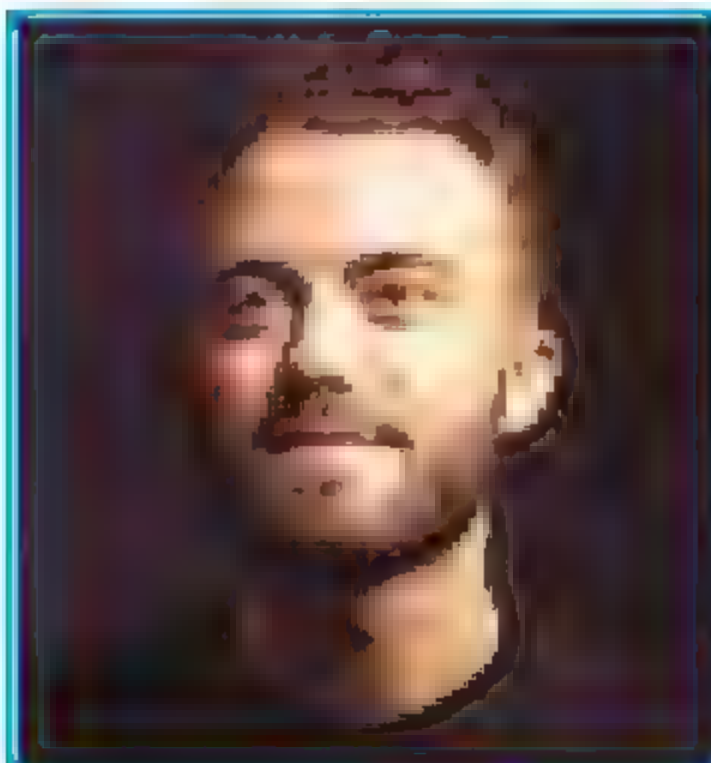
STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Venue: PETER Pizzeria Map Ref: 38

Entry: £8



Off The Kerb Productions present

**TOM LUCY: WORK IN PROGRESS**

After complete sell-out Edinburgh runs in 2017 and 2018, Tom Lucy is back with a new hour of razor sharp comedy. As seen on Stand Up For Live Comedy, Roast Battle, Stand Up Central, Dating No Filter, Live At The Comedy Store, Stand Up Sketch Show and many more.

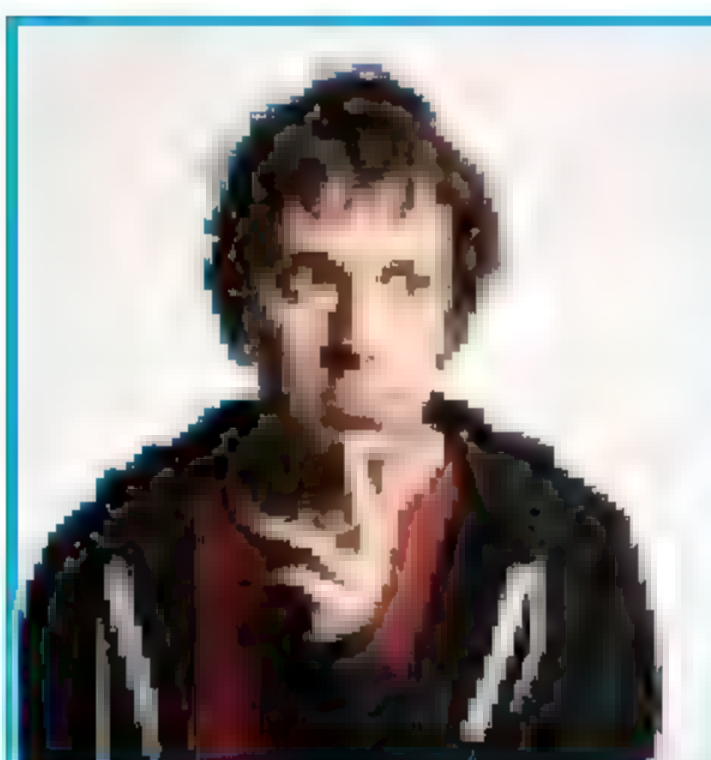
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Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £6



Jokes On Us Present

WORLD  
PREMIERE**TOM MAYHEW: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Comedian Tom Mayhew (as heard on BBC Radio 4) brings a work in progress show to the Leicester Comedy Festival! There will be stuff about being working-class, being skint, how annoying the cost of living crisis is, and probably talk of a revolution. (Unless the Tories sort it all out between applying for this in September and February. They definitely won't.)

[www.tommayhew.co.uk](http://www.tommayhew.co.uk)

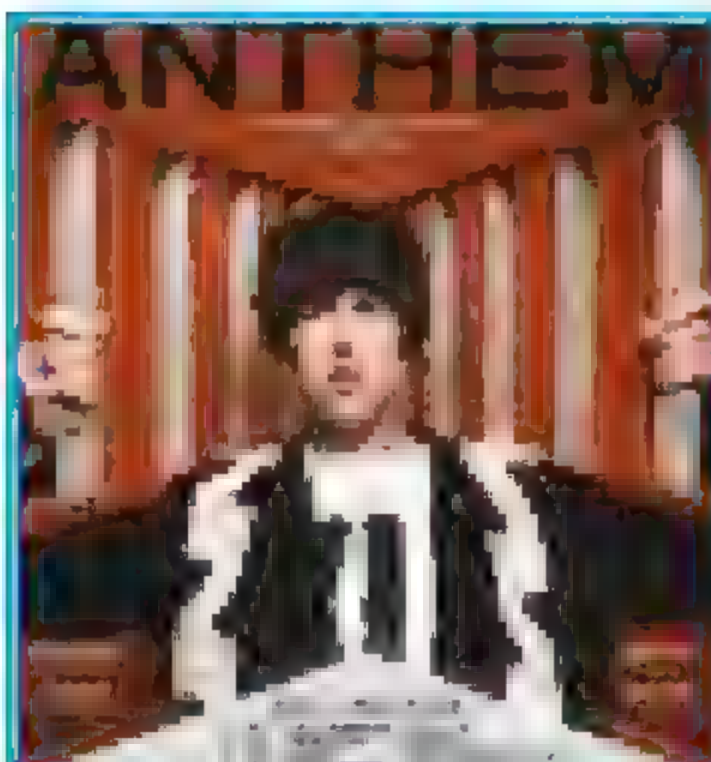
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Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want

**TOM WARD: ANTHEM**

Fresh from his celebrated debut on Live at the Apollo, Tom Ward embarks on his first ever national tour. A brand-new construction of offbeat observations and top-notch whimsical detours. His favourite themes are all here: love, the 90s, living in a house... But this time he's venturing out beyond his beloved suburbs to take on the planet, mental health and gender politics. As seen on Live at The Apollo, The Stand Up Sketch Show, Live from the BBC,

<https://www.tomwardvoice.com/>

SOLO SHOW

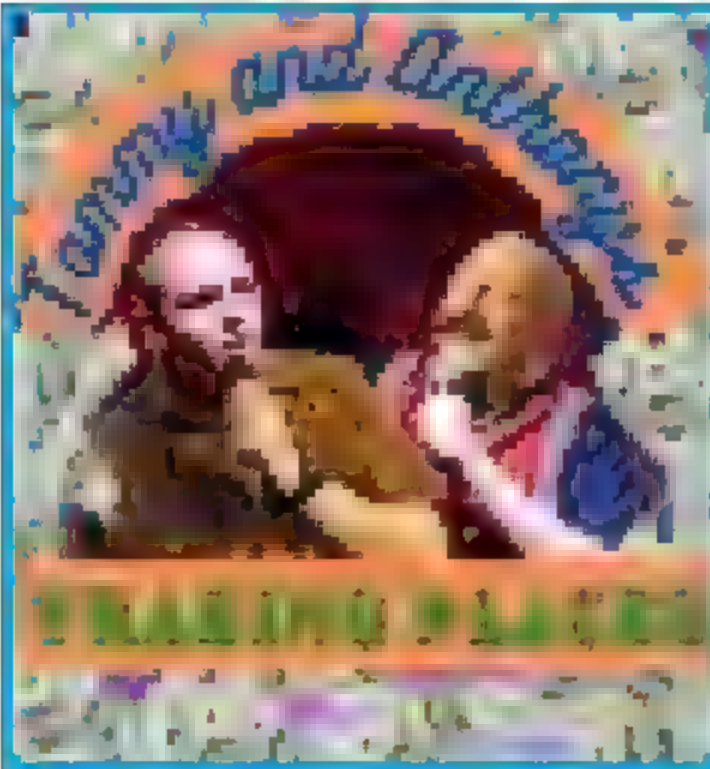
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Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: The Big Difference Map Ref: 45

Entry: £10





Jokes On Us Presents

**TOMMY AND ANTHONY'S TRADING PLACES**

Tommy Tonski and Anthony Williams invite you to witness our wild experiment - Trading Places. We asked 4 pairs of comedians to do 5 minutes of each others material whilst the original comic gets to heckle them off stage. Is it in the delivery? is it in the material? Or will they even make it through the 5 minutes without crashing and burning? You will not want to miss out on this celebration of comics who know each others material too well.

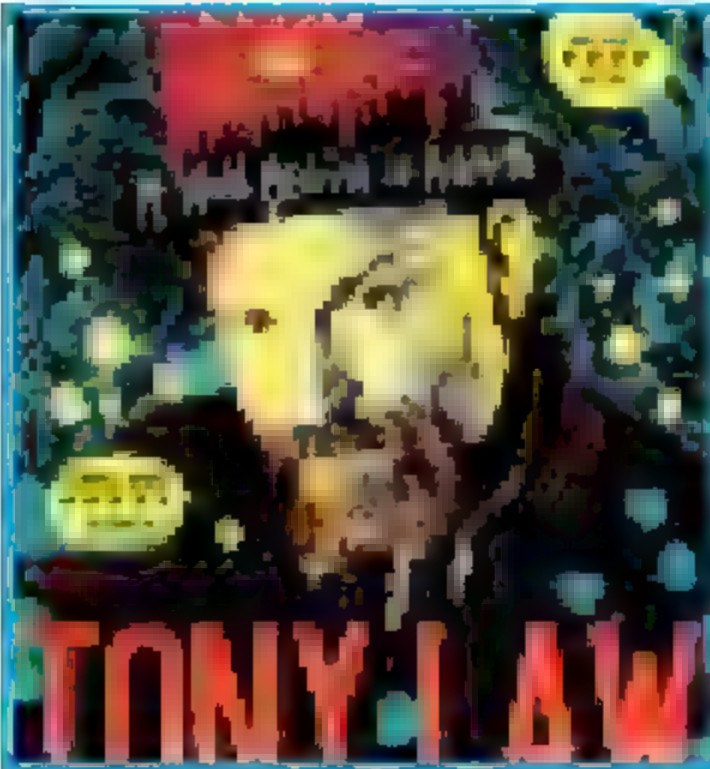
STAND UP, MIXED BILL

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Time: 19:45 (21:45)

Venue: The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Ebdon Management Presents

**TONY LAW: A NOW BEGIN IN AGAIN**

Neanderthal Canadian Trinidadian Norn Iron loon Law brings his half-baked thoughts on the last couple of years and a little time travel to boot. It might not always make sense but it's always funny. Farm boy blue-collar surreal absurdity in his own very unique style. For those with a different take or taste in comedy. Wild, utterly absurd and magnetic. \*\*\*\*\* - Mumble \*\*\*\* - Telegraph \*\*\*\* - OnTheMic \*\*\*\* - Broadway World \*\*\*\* - One4Review

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: BrewDog Map Ref: 10

Entry: £10 (£9)



Monster Comedy presents

**TRAGIC MIKE**

Tragic Mike Live returns after a sell out show in 2021, with a hot new line up. Our sexy acts will get your heart racing with raunchy, grinding, thrusting comedians and burlesque acts. This is the hottest comedy show in town, guaranteed to have you climaxing through laughter.

BURLESQUE, CABARET

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Jokes On Us Present

**TRI-ANGLIA**

A comedy threesome from East Anglia is taking over! Join 3 of the brightest talents from the east Tom Alban, Louie Green and Martin Westgate as they bring they educate and entertain about being a 30-something from East Anglia! This is a comedy beast from the east.

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 15:00 (16:00)

Venue: The Exchange Bar Map Ref: 48

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



**TVI PODCAST LIVE!**

Join comedians Carl Donnelly and Julian Deane for a rare live version of their hit podcast 'TVI'. An interactive, unfiltered, hilarious chat through everything and anything that comes up over the hour. Check out 'TVI' on your favourite podcast app for a little taster before coming to see them in the flesh!  
<https://linktr.ee/wearetv>

REGIONAL PREMIERE

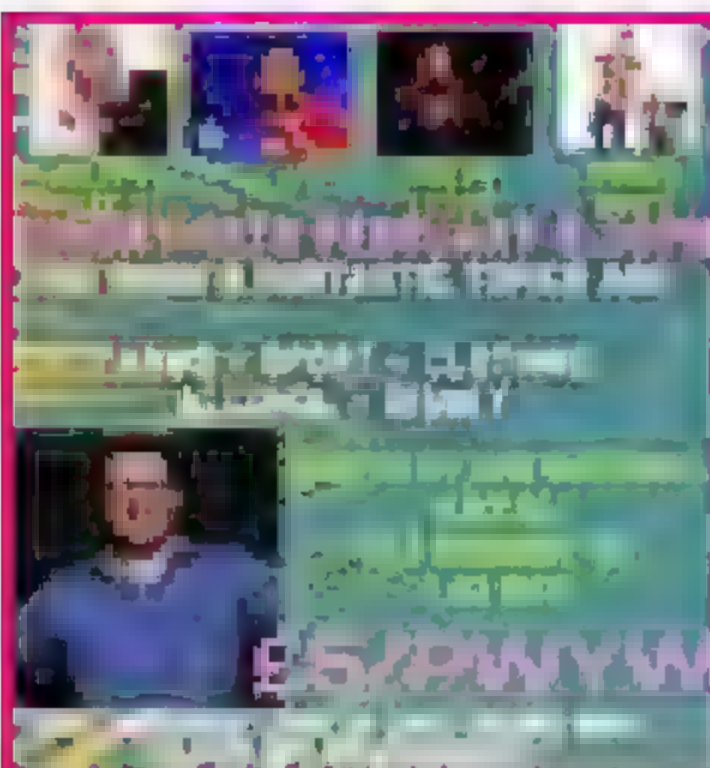
STAND UP, PODCAST

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Time: 21:00 (22:00)

Venue: Black Horse Map Ref: 9

Entry: £7 (£5)



UK Pun Off presents

**UK PUN OFF**

The hit online show The UK Pun Off makes the transition to a LIVE show. 4 top punners will have 3 jokes on 5 different topics and it is up to the audience to decide the winner of each round to crown the winner. We also look for the audience's best puns on each of the topics (check poster) to be read out at the end of each round and prizes are up for grabs for the best.  
[www.youtube.com/ukpunoff](http://www.youtube.com/ukpunoff)

STAND UP, GAME SHOW

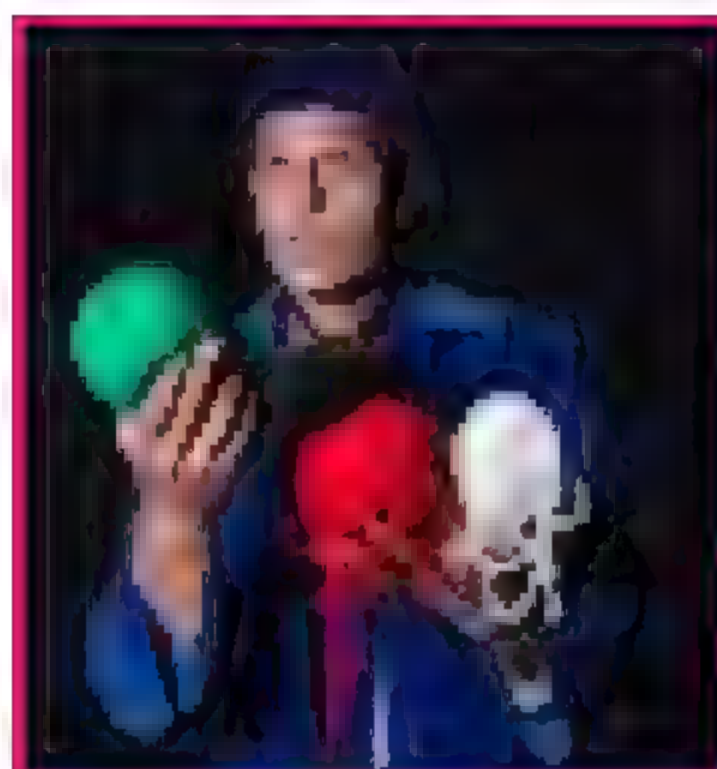
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Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



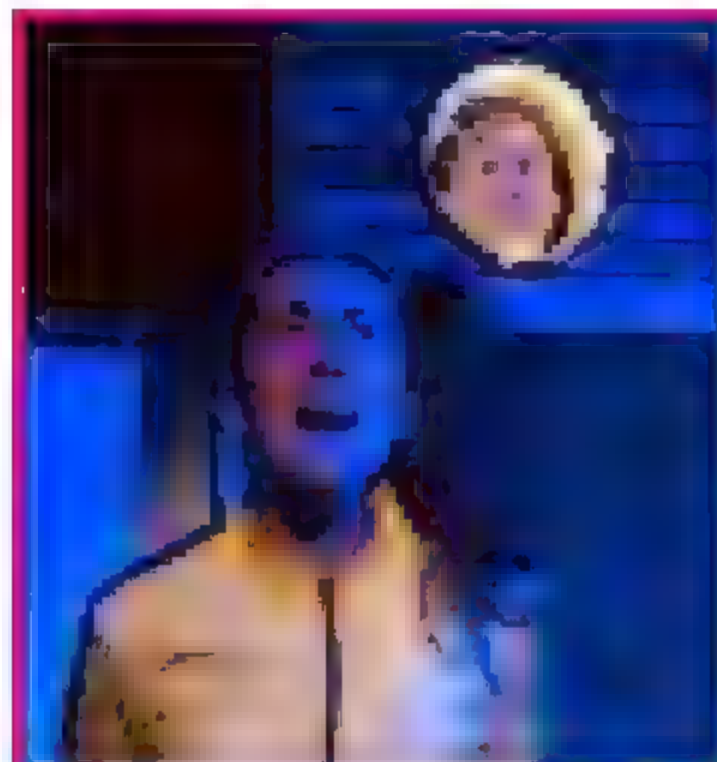


Tell-Tale Present

**UNCLE RICHARD**

1502. The Prince of Wales is dead and his eleven year old little brother, Henry VIII has a great deal to learn about his ancestors if he is ever to become King. Take your seat in the Plantagenet family tree and help young Prince Harry as he discovers that when it comes to his great uncle, Richard III no two tellings of the tale ever seem to be the same

FAMILY, THEATRE

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 17:30 (18:30)**Venue:** Wygston's House Map Ref: 65**Entry:** £10 (£8)

The Foundry Group

**UNDERDOGS**

Winner: OffWestEnd.com's Award for Theatre, Brighton Fringe 2022 1998. In an overlooked pub in a left-behind town, an unlikely hero and his would-be agent plot to put themselves on the map via an insane World Record attempt - the longest time buried alive. A true and often hilarious tale of courage, endurance, love, and media manipulation from the co-writer of West-End hit The Shark is Broken and the team behind Big Daddy Vs Giant Haystacks.

[www.foundrygroup.co.uk](http://www.foundrygroup.co.uk)

THEATRE

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 19:30 (21:10)**Venue:** Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61**Entry:** £15 (£12)

Ingenious Fools &amp; Andrew Roach Talent Ltd

WORLD PREMIERE

**VARIETY D & MARK NICHOLAS SPLIT THE BILL (WIP)**

Join two of the most exciting up and coming comics on the comedy scene, Comedy Store King Gong winner Mark Nicholas and the first Black, Female, British, Disabled Comedian (so far) Variety D, as they bring the truth about being neurodiverse in 2022. With stories of brain surgery drama, Lord of the Rings, avoiding eye contact and how being autistic really complicates things when teaching in special needs schools.

STAND UP, MIXED BILL

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**Time:** 18:30 (19:20)**Venue:** The Big Difference Map Ref: 45**Entry:** £6

The Doorstep Comedy Club presents

**VICTORIA BIKERS PUB COMEDY NIGHT**

Coalville!! The Victoria Bikers Pub is making its debut into The Leicester Comedy Festival and what a show we are bringing! Matt Bragg (who regularly warms up for John Bishop and Ricky Gervais) headlines the show, along with Matt Richardson (you may have seen him hosting Xtra Factor and Red Bull Soap Box Race), Ricky Balshaw (as seen on BBC New Act of the Year) and all being hosted by the Brilliant Mike Cox.

<https://www.thedoorstepcomedyclub.com>

MIXED BILL, STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 20:00 (22:30)**Venue:** Victoria Bikers Pub Map Ref: 62**Entry:** £12.50

Impatient Productions present

REGIONAL PREMIERE

**VIGGO VENN: CLUB COMEDIAN**

Norwegian comedian Viggo Venn has moved to London to follow his life-long dream of becoming a British Comedian. Viggo sold out his entire run at the Edinburgh Fringe 2022 while trying to tell one single joke. WINNER: Best Comedy, Brighton Fringe 2016, Time Out Edinburgh Award 2018, New Act of the Year Award NATYS 2022 'Viggo is Norwegian' (EdFestMag.com) 'Viggo is Norwegian' (Scotsman) 'Viggo is a... Norwegian' (BroadwayBaby.com)

[www.viggovenn.com](http://www.viggovenn.com)

STAND UP

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 19:00 (20:00)**Venue:** Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17**Entry:** £8 advance or Pay What You Want

Vista in partnership with Big Difference present

**VISTA LAUGHS: WORKSHOP AND SHOWCASE**

In this exciting workshop Vista have teamed up with The UK Kids' Comedy Festival to showcase the talents of the children with sight loss they work with. Led by comedian and host of Laugh-Able, Mark Nicholas, these children will develop their skills over the course of the day before performing live to friends and families.

<https://www.vistablind.org.uk/>

CHILDREN'S

**DATES:** 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
**Time:** 10:00 (17:00)**Venue:** Attenborough Arts Centre Map Ref: TBC**Entry:** By arrangement with Vista





**VITTORIO ANGELONE - TRANSLATIONS**

Irish-Italian comedian Vittorio Angelone went to see a play at the National Theatre in London. He loved the play, still does, but was deeply disturbed (read: pissed off) by the reaction of the English audience. Join him as he tackles being Irish in England, identity, and the sad comedy shows that seem to win awards.\* \*Since writing this blurb Vittorio's (my) show got nominated for, but crucially did not win, an award. The show still makes sense.

STAND UP

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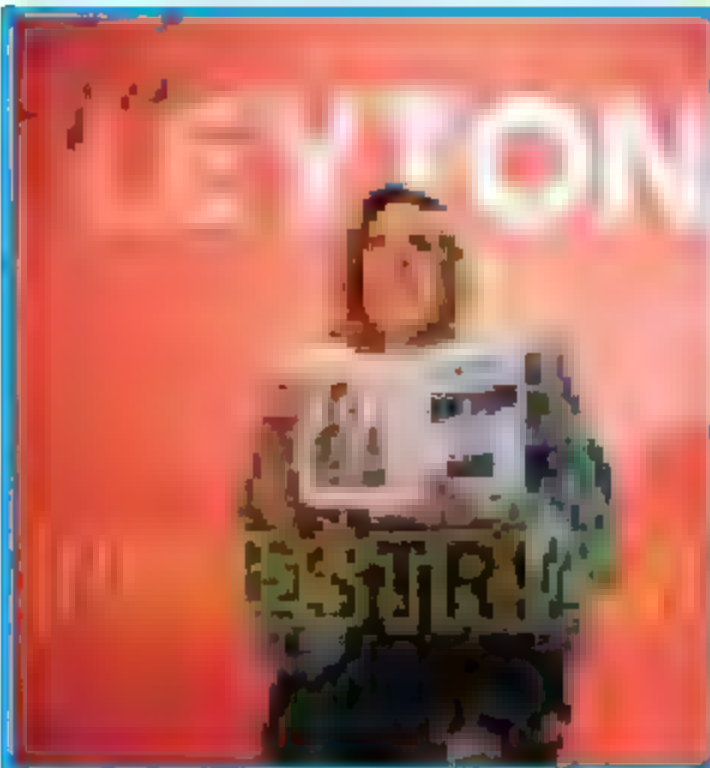


**VITTORIO ANGELONE: WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE? I AM! (WIP)**

Fresh off of a sold out fringe run, Best Newcomer Nominee 2022 Vittorio Angelone presents a work in progress version of his 2023 show with the provisional title: Who Do You Think You Are? I Am! It'll be about perception and identity and insecurity and words. Loads of stuff about words. Mostly because every joke is about words and he hasn't written the stuff yet and is trying not to lie, but some excellent ideas are cooking!

STAND UP

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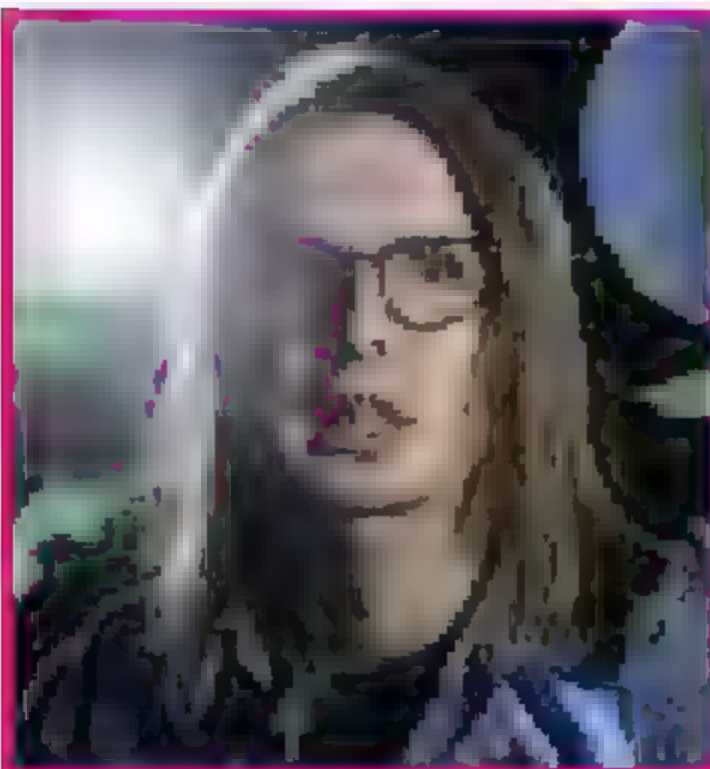
**VIX LEYTON : PEDESTRIAN**

Vix Leyton takes you on a whirlwind ride examining the multiple roles you play in your life, the rogue decisions you make under pressure with impossibly farcical consequences and coming to terms with certain aspects of your personality as you get older. The first solo show from the comedian discovered by Mark Watson on Twitter. Everyone has that friend who tweeted something that altered the course of their life. If you don't, Vix is now yours.

[www.vixleyton.co.uk](http://www.vixleyton.co.uk)

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Venue:	The Big Difference Map Ref: 45																			Entry:	£5 (£4)



Lamphouse Theatre

**WAR OF THE WORLDS (ON A BUDGET)**

Step aside HG Wells, take a break Jeff Wayne, back to your trailer Tom Cruise; with one loop pedal, lots of cardboard and many hats, our new hero will save the day (maybe)! Featuring a full soundtrack of new music, War of the Worlds (on a budget) is the musical comedy adventure we didn't know we needed! 'Hilarious' \*\*\*\*\* Theatre Scotland, 'Fearless Fun' \*\*\*\*\* The Stage, 'Brilliantly Bonkers' \*\*\*\*\* The Reviews Hub

[www.lamphousetheatre.co.uk](http://www.lamphousetheatre.co.uk)

MUSICAL, THEATRE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	19:30 (20:30)
Venue:	Upstairs At The Western Theatre Map Ref: 61																			Entry:	£12 (£10)



Garry Roost

**WARHOL: BULLET KARMA BY GARRY ROOST DIRECTED BY KENNETH HADLEY**

A dark, witty take on the American pop art icon, Andy Warhol, and the woman who shot him, Valerie Solanas. Lou Reed, Capote, Edie Sedgwick; see what they have to say about Drella and what he says about them! 'Warhol: Bullet Karma is a masterclass in bold simplicity and is worth any theatre goers time' \*\*\*\* (VoiceMag.uk).

<https://www.garryroost.co.uk>

THEATRE, SOLD SHOW

ONLINE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	Available anytime
Venue:	LCF Online Events Map Ref: 33																			Entry:	£7 (£5)



Furthest from the Sea presents

**WESLEY MALLIN: HAVE YOU TRIED CHEERING UP?**

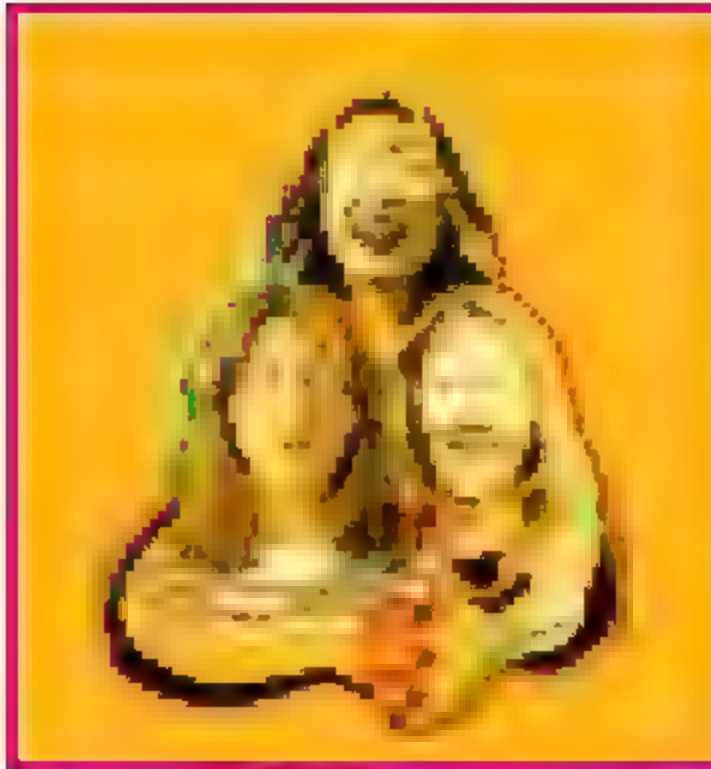
Comedian and broadcaster Wesley Mallin shares the stupid questions he's been asked about his mental health including "Have you tried just not being sad?" and gives answers like "Have you tried not being a dick?". Channelling pure manic energy he'll take you on a comic tour of the dark corners of his oddly wired head. Sit back, laugh and prepare to say "what the f@ck?". Crippling psychological distress has never been this funny.

[www.furthestfromthesea.co.uk](http://www.furthestfromthesea.co.uk)

SOLD SHOW

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Time:	22:00 (23:00)
Venue:	Knight & Garter Map Ref: 30																			Entry:	£5





### WHAM BAM THANK YOU MAM! (MARTY GLEESON, FRANCES KEYTON AND SU MI)

A Welsh woman, an Irish woman and a Malaysian woman walk into a bar and produce the best comedy show of all time. A whimsical commentary on the expectations we put on ourselves and from society. Looking at loneliness, humanity, and navigating life in our thirties from three different perspectives. How do we do it? Incorporating storytelling, observational comedy styles, dry, sharp whimsical comedy. Come with your mates and make three more!



STAND UP, MIXED BILL

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Time: 20:00 (21:00)

Venue: Kayal Map Ref: 28

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want



Jokes on Us Present

### WHAT'S IN THE BOX?

The panel show where nobody knows what will happen: not even the host! Bring an item, pop it in the box and host Friz Frizzle will create games on the spot for our three guest comedians. Hilarious, improvised chaos that will leave you with a smile on your face.

REGIONAL PREMIERE



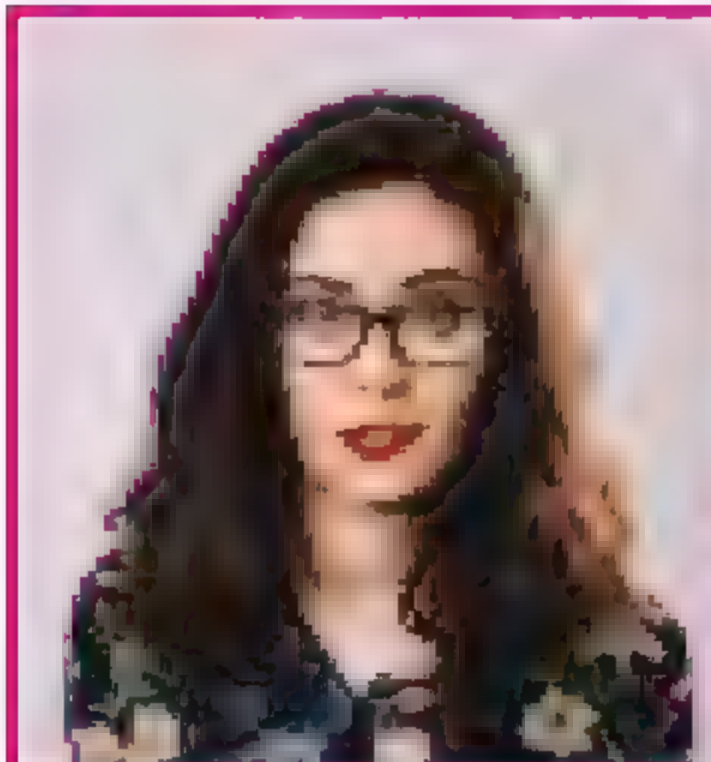
GAME SHOW, IMPROV

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Time: 19:20 (20:20)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: 23

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



### WHATTON LAUGHS

An evening of fun and laughter with your favourite comedians, handpicked by the team behind Leicester Comedy Festival, at the Long Whatton Community Centre. Hosted by the UK Pun Champion 2020 Adele Cliff. 'Absolutely charming... a skilled performer, with a real presence and confidence' (The Scotsman) 'No doubt she's a nifty writer' (Chortle) 'Adele has a talent for writing in a pure joke form' (Funny Women) More acts to be announced!



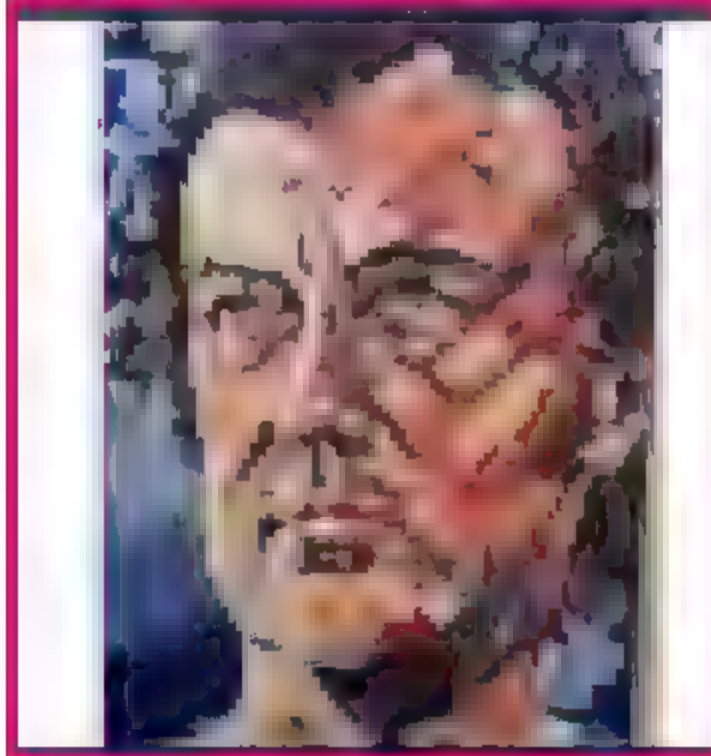
STAND UP

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Time: 19:30 (21:00)

Venue: Long Whatton Community Centre Map Ref: 34

Entry: £13.50



JESTERS Dublin

### WHEN I'M 64

After years of practice a 64 year old Irish man tells stories which explain how he comes to be the oldest newcomer at the Leicester Comedy Festival. There will be stories, surprises and laughter.

WORLD PREMIERE



SOLD SHOW, STAND UP

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Time: 16:00 (17:00)

Venue: The Globe Map Ref: 50

Entry: £6 advance or Pay What You Want



### WIFI WARS

Wi-Fi Wars returns with the live comedy game show where you all play along! Log in with your smartphone/tablet & compete in a range of games, puzzles & quizzes to win the show, & prizes! Hosted by comedian Steve McNeil (of Dara O'Briain's Go 8 Bit) & aided by Guinness World-Record-Breaking tech whizz, the award-winning Rob Sedgebeer! There'll be entirely different games/quizzes from the 2.30pm show, if you'd like to come to both! Ages 12+

[wifiwars.co.uk/](http://wifiwars.co.uk/)



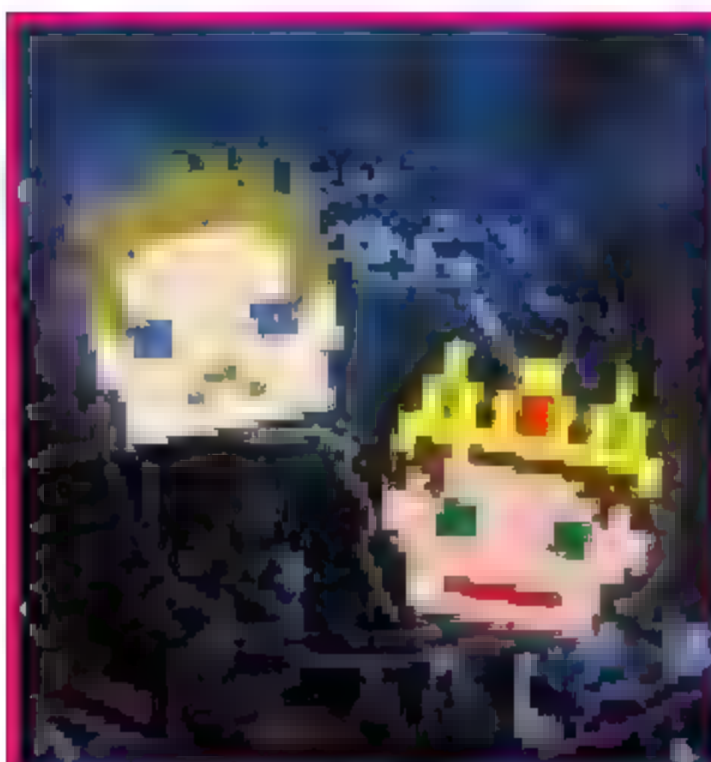
INTERACTIVE, GAME SHOW

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Time: 19:00 (20:00)

Venue: Firebug Map Ref: TBC

Entry: £10



### WIFI WARS: MATINEE

Wi-Fi Wars returns with the live comedy game show where you all play along! Log in with your smartphone/tablet & compete in a range of games, puzzles & quizzes to win the show, & prizes! Hosted by comedian Steve McNeil (of Dara O'Briain's Go 8 Bit) & aided by Guinness World-Record-Breaking tech whizz, the award-winning Rob Sedgebeer! There'll be entirely different games/quizzes from the 7pm show, if you'd like to come to both. Ages 6+

[wifiwars.co.uk/](http://wifiwars.co.uk/)

REGIONAL PREMIERE



INTERACTIVE, CHILDREN'S

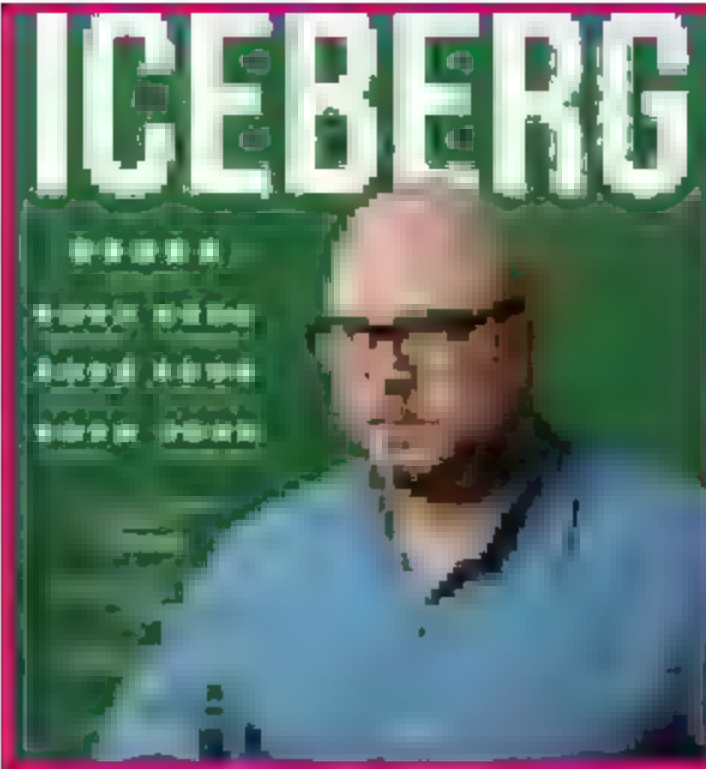
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Entry: £8





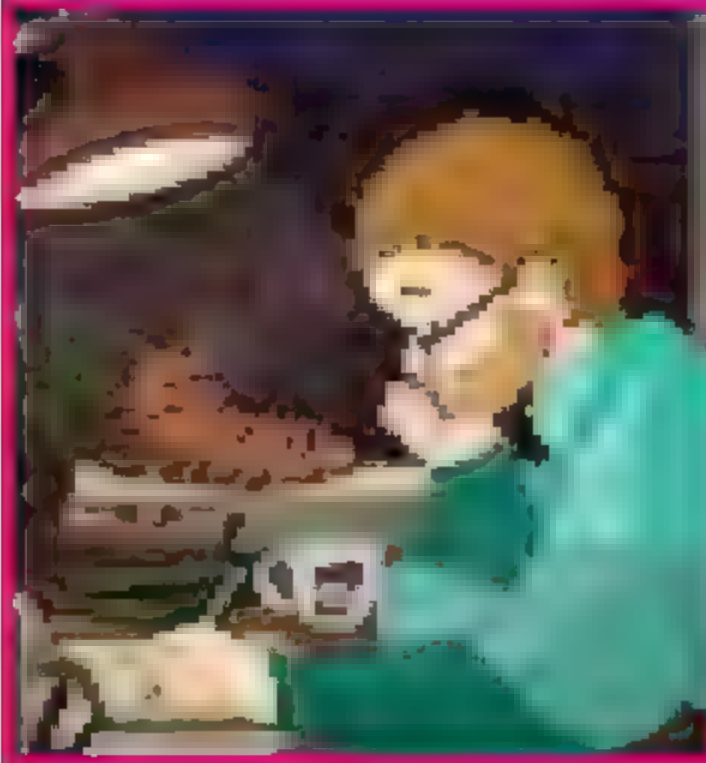
Impatient Productions present

**WILL DUGGAN: ICEBERG**

Comedy's miserable, cheeky scamp is returning with his sellout Edinburgh 2022 show and the weight of the world across his shoulders and some burning questions in his soul. Primarily: why on earth is everyone not just constantly screaming in fury? He's going to figure it all out in front of you, while managing to be 'funny as f\*ck' (Chortle) - indeed, 'effortlessly brutally funny' \*\*\*\*\* (Joe.co.uk)

STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Time:	20:00 (21:00)																		
Entry:	£5 advance or Pay What You Want																		



**WILLIAM STONE: LOFI COMEDY TO STUDY/RELAX TO**

Laugh - Chill - Sleep (afterwards) - Repeat. Join BBC New Comedy award finalist William Stone for an hour of chill comedy to study/relax to. Indulge in some wonderful whimsy and take a break from the crazy world outside. Absolutely no worries if you're busy.  
[www.williamstonecomedy.com](http://www.williamstonecomedy.com)

SOLO SHOW

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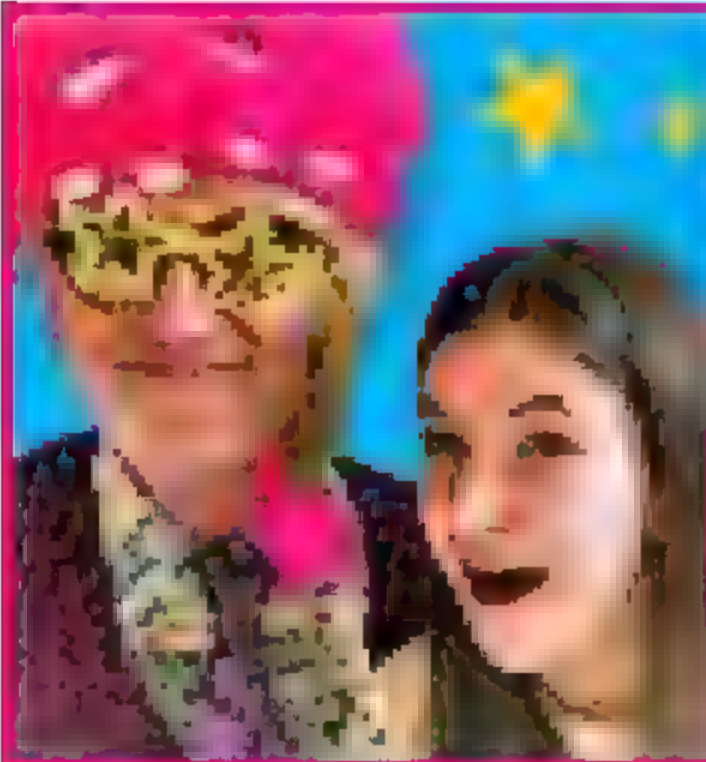
WORD! and Foxy Comedy Present

**WORD! AND FOXY COMEDY WITH ROB GEE AND LYDIA TOWSEY**

WORD! - an award nominated, spoken word and poetry organisation presenting one of the longest running spoken word nights in the UK - presents an evening of high jinx and hilarity! Featuring - Guardian, Kew Gardens and Royal Albert Hall commissioned, Lydia Towsey; Rob Gee "Seriously funny" (the Mirror)... "The kind of performer you pray you'll discover" (Orlando Sentinel) - and friends! Plus open mic & comedy raffle...  
[www.wordpoetry.co.uk](http://www.wordpoetry.co.uk)

WORLD PREMIERE SPOKEN WORD, CABARET

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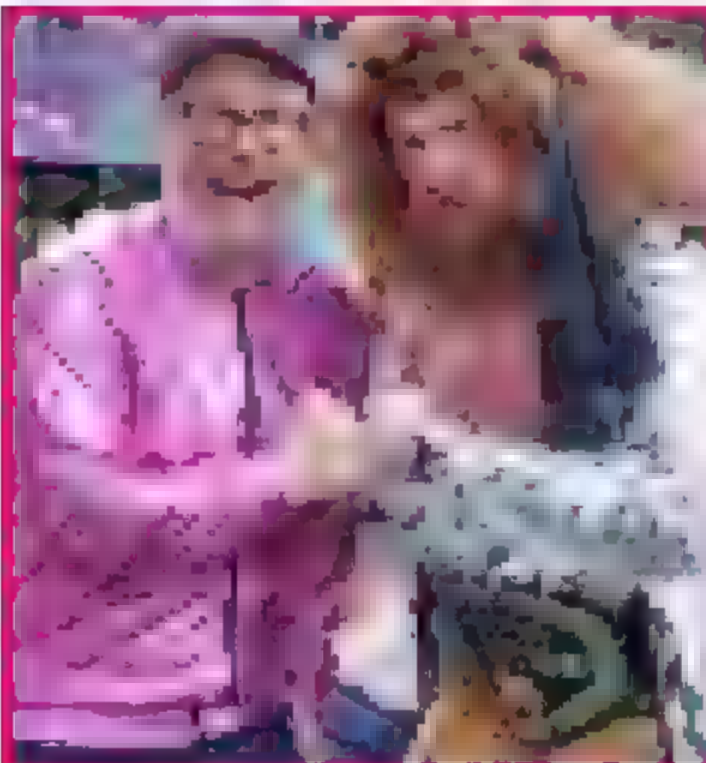
Ian and Niamh Hall present

**WORRALORRAFUNS!**

Wigston's Favourite (only!) dad-and-daughter double act serve up a jam-packed jamboree of daft games, dances, songs, slapstick and cardboard. Ian and Niamh present this fun, feel-good show with jokey bits for kids (and adults too if you like). Previously seen in the Book of Daft and Kids Court, and twice Best Kids Show nominees at this Festival. "Brilliantly daft. Get caught up in the infectious, participatory bubble" Leicester Mercury

WORLD PREMIERE CHILDREN'S, INTERACTIVE

DATES:	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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Entry:	£5																		



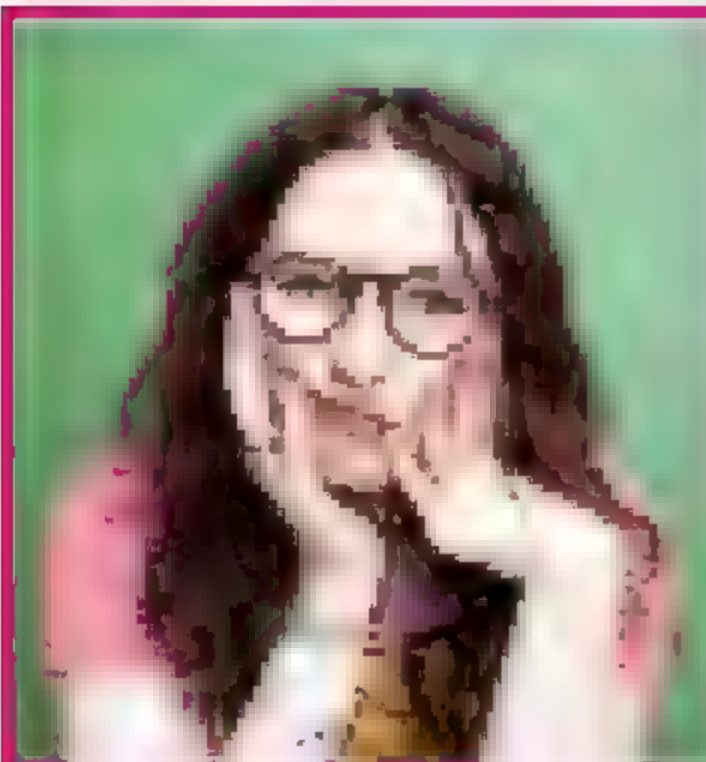
Pub Wrestling Federation presents

**WRESTLING WITH THE CHAMP: SMILEDRIVER**

Following a successful run at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, this cult comedy podcast is back with an all-new live show! Join the strawberry blonde superstar AKA the diva with spandex fever for seriously funny stories from his time in the squared circle. Expect beer, cheer and wrestling gear! "Comedy you shouldn't miss" - EdinburghLive.co.uk  
[www.gingerninja.live](http://www.gingerninja.live)

STORYTELLING, PODCAST

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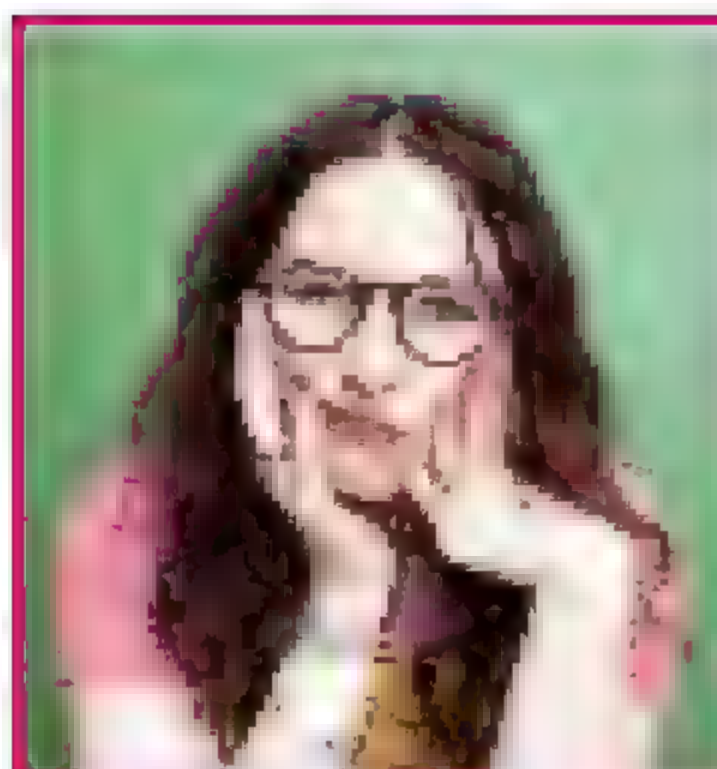
**WWKD: WHAT WOULD KIMI DO?**

Reykjavik Fringe 2021 Funny Award Winner and Funny Women Stage Award One to Watch 2022, Kimi Tayler brings a show about the realities of life in a Nordic utopia, 90s nostalgia and some strong opinions on magicians. "Kimi doesn't kill, crush or slay on stage- she delivers a healthy dose of comedy CPR." - Ari Eldjárn

STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Entry:	£6 (£5)																		





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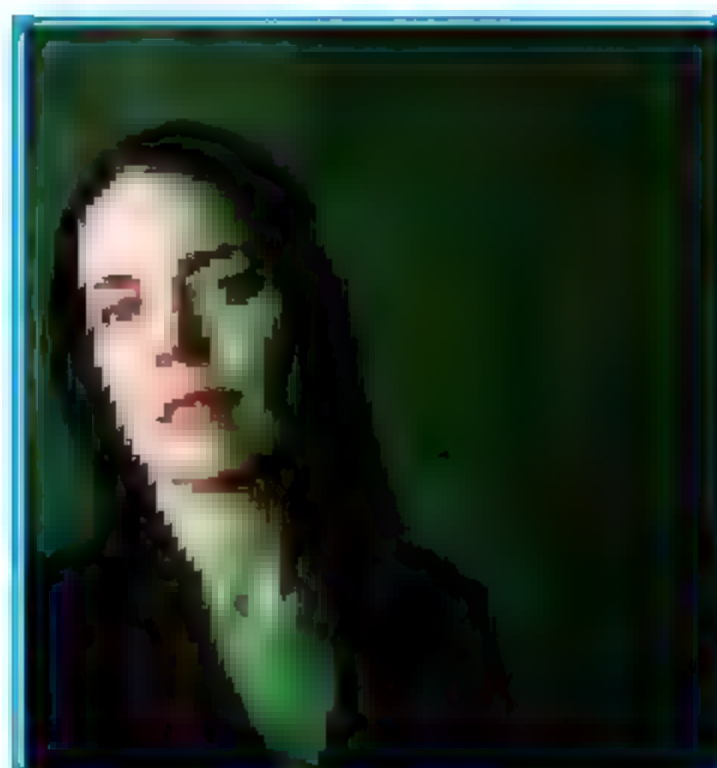
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 22:00 (23:00)

Venue: Knight &amp; Garter Map Ref: 30

Entry: £6 (£5)

**YOU WOULDN'T LIKE ME WHEN I'M ANGRY**

BBC New Comedy Award's Digital Comedian of The Year Holly Hall's character comedy show about her inability to express her anger.  
<https://www.holly-hall.com>

REGIONAL PREMIERE



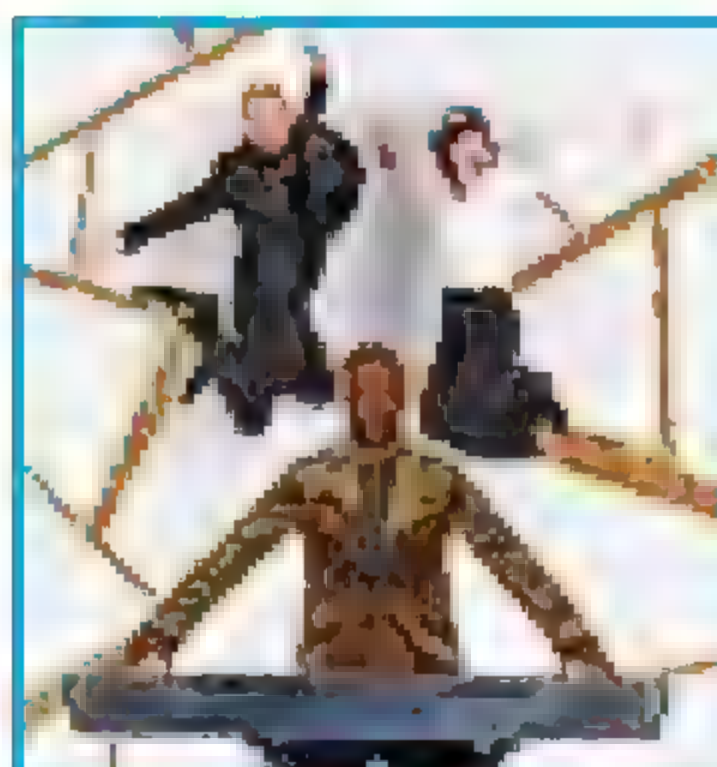
CHARACTER, SOLO SHOW

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Time: 19:00 (19:45)

Venue: Wygston's House Map Ref: 65

Entry: £8



Turtles Up Present

**YOUR FLAWS: THE MUSICAL**

What's wrong with you?? Self-described shortcomings inspire darkly hilarious and surprisingly heartfelt new musicals every show from the co-creator of five star, multiple Fringe sell-out hit CSI: Crime Scene Improvisation, a classically trained opera soprano, and a jazz piano savant. Their shows have been called 'A spectacular must see' \*\*\*\*\* (Bunbury) and 'Downright hilarious' \*\*\*\*\*1/2 (Chronicle.lu)

[www.linktree.com/yourflawsshow](http://www.linktree.com/yourflawsshow)

IMPROV, MUSICAL

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 19:30 (20:30)

Venue: BrewDog Map Ref: 10

Entry: £8 (£6)

**YURIKO KOTANI: WORK IN PROGRESS**

Winner of the BBC New Comedy Award and Time Out's One to Watch, UK-based Japanese comedian Yuriko Kotani is going to tell stories of her experiences and thoughts as a work in progress. As seen on Russell Howard's Stand Up Central, Pls Like (BBC3), Paul Hollywood Eats Japan (Channel 4) and Mandy series 2 (BBC2). "Kotani has a magical way of telling a story" \*\*\*\* (Scotsman)

[www.yurikokotani.com](http://www.yurikokotani.com)

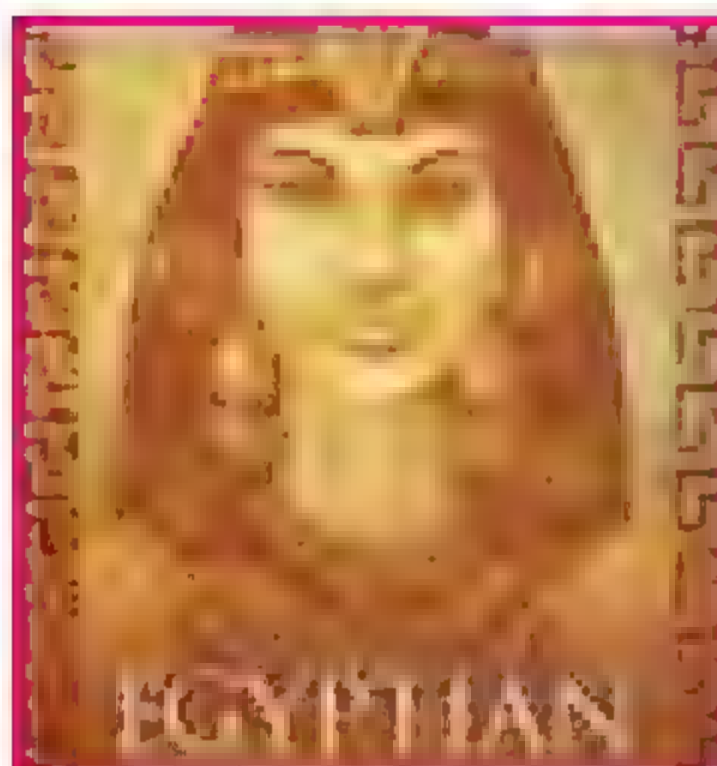
STAND UP, STORYTELLING

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Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: Duffy's Bar Map Ref: 17

Entry: £6 (£4) advance or Pay What You Want



Jokes on You Festival Presents

**ZAHRA BARRI: TALK LIKE AN EGYPTIAN**

Egyptian /Irish Comedian, raised in Saudi Arabia. Zahra's life has been a mixture of Sharia Law versus Murphy's Law. Join her for an hour of stand up on Islam, Feminism and vaginas. "...buzzy fluffball of comedy unafraid to take risks." \*\*\*\* Mumble Comedy "Terrific" Venue Magazine "Zahra's a bit like the country of Turkey, in that she's a mix of Eastern and Western culture, and also she is a bird." As heard on BBC Radio 4 Extra, BBC Radio 2.

[www.zahrabarri.com](http://www.zahrabarri.com)

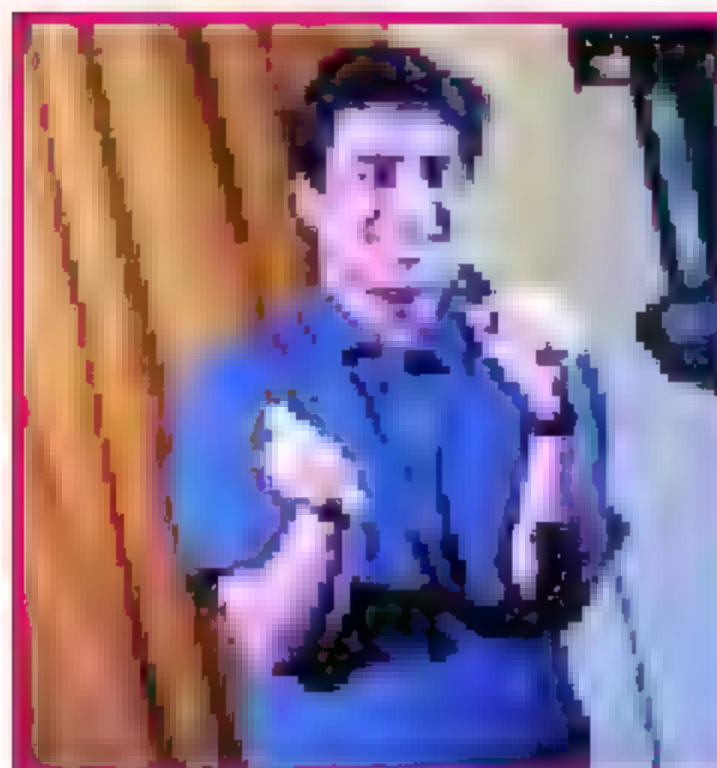
STAND UP, SOLO SHOW

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 17:15 (18:15)

Venue: Grays@LCB Depot Map Ref: TBC

Entry: FREE or Pay What You Want



Monster Comedy Presents

**ZAYNE FULAT: PRETTY BOY COMPLEX**

A comedian who specialises in observing the weird and wonderful aspects of life, Zayne will take you on a joyful journey of personal stories, political commentary and exaggerated expression. Leicester's prodigal son, Zayne excels in taking the audience on a wild ride with his emphatic voice, expressive face and commanding stage presence.

STAND UP

DATES: 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

Time: 20:30 (21:30)

Venue: King Richard III Map Ref: 29

Entry: £5 advance or Pay What You Want







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Enjoying the happiness that comedy brings?

Laugh all the way to the next venue by walking the green route. It's good for you.

Download Go Jauntly now.





## Call out!

for young people aged 18-25 yrs

**PEDESTRIAN AND UK KIDS COMEDY FESTIVAL HAVE TEAMED UP AND WE ARE LOOKING FOR UP AND COMING LESTAH TALENT**

**JOIN US FOR COMEDY MASTERCLASSES IN THE NEW YEAR TO DEVELOP AND DEVISE YOUR OWN MATERIAL TO SHARE AS PART OF THE COMEDY FESTIVAL 2023 AS OPENING ACTS.**

**A SERIES OF WEEKEND RESIDENCIES WILL GIVE YOU THE CHANCE TO LEARN OF THE TRADE FROM PERFORMING COMEDIANS. EMAIL US FOR MORE INFO!**

**NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NECESSARY - JUST AN INTEREST IN COMEDY AND WILLINGNESS TO MAKE PEOPLE LAFF!**

**8-26 FEB 2023**





# Leicester Comedy Festival 30th Anniversary Exhibition

**8-26 February**  
**The Old Library Cafe & Galleries**

Opening times vary - see listing on page 20 of this brochure for details.



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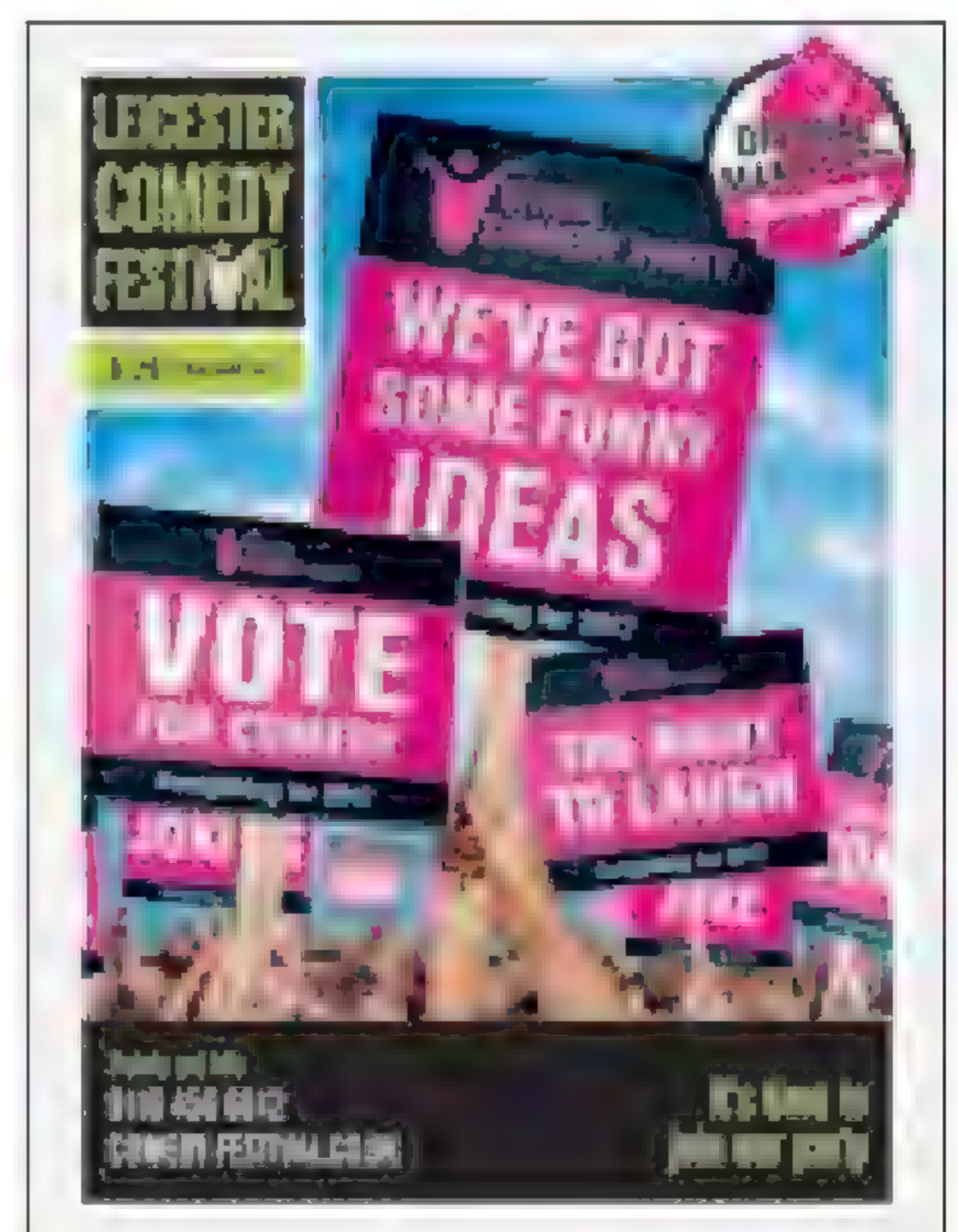
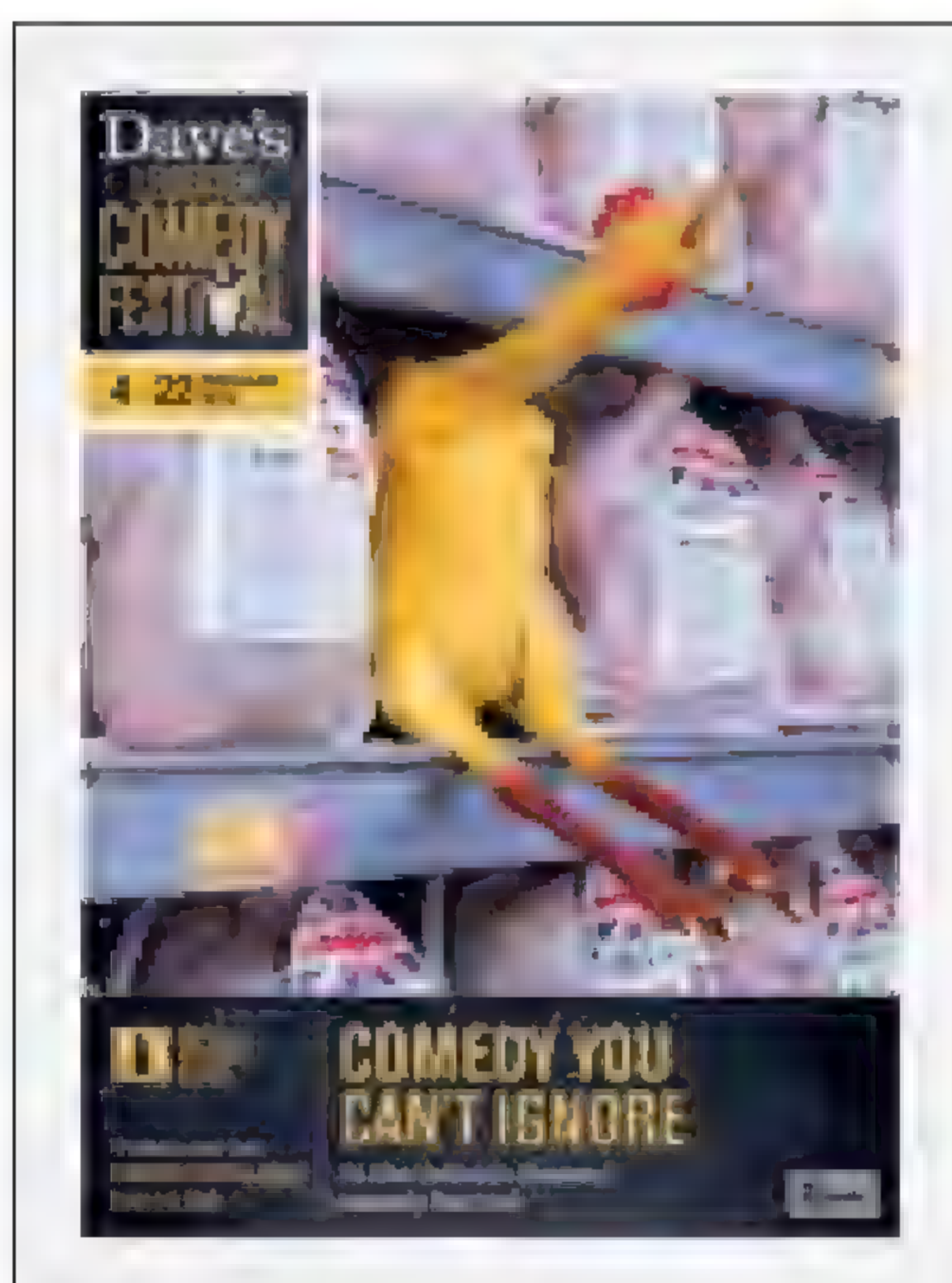
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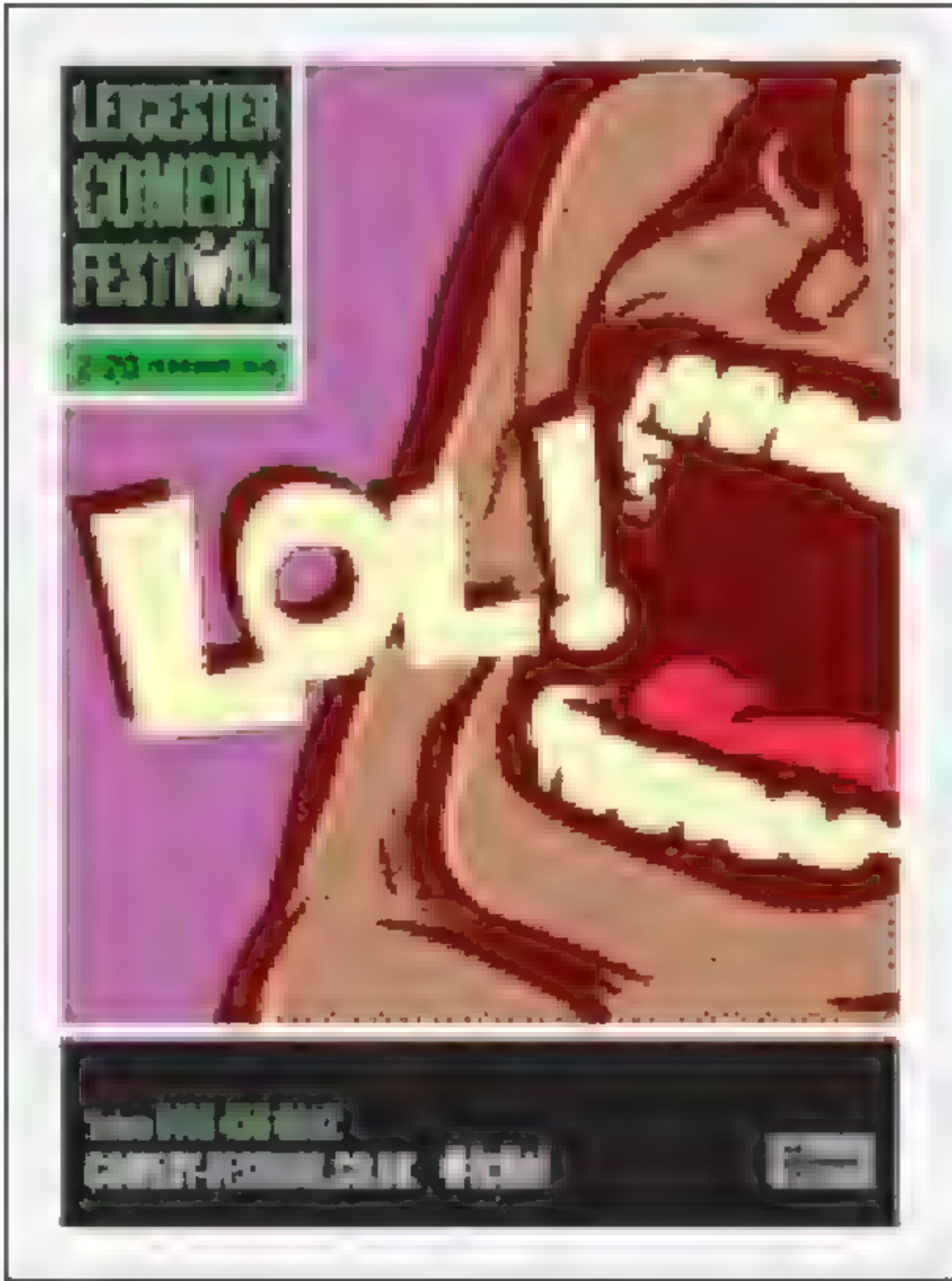
















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**LEICESTER COMEDY FESTIVAL**

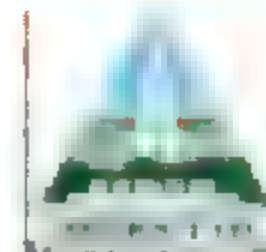
[WWW.COMEDY-FESTIVAL.CO.UK](http://WWW.COMEDY-FESTIVAL.CO.UK)



**Harborough District**  
16-20 February 2023

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TIM VINE  
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MORE!





My umbrella is useless in the wind, as it turns out.

**ALL PUNS BLAZING**  
THE BEST BRITISH KNOCKOUT JOKE

I don't like to brag but I can control a kayak brilliantly. Canoe?

From Geoff Rowe and Leicester Comedy Festival comes this brilliant tribute to that most British of jokes, the humble pun.

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# SUPPORT

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**BIG DIFFERENCE  
IMPROVES PEOPLE'S  
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We are a registered charity and non-profit making organisation which produces Leicester Comedy Festival and The UK Kids' Comedy Festival. We also work year-round to produce and deliver ambitious festivals, events and projects which improve social, economic and cultural well-being.

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To find out more or to make a donation visit  
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**LAUGH  
ACADEMY**

HALF TERM  
COMEDY SCHOOL

# LEARN HOW TO BECOME A COMEDIAN!

“Our son really enjoyed the experience. He was offered great support throughout the week and during the showcase performance when nerves got the better of him! The workshop leaders were fabulous and the evening showcase was well organised and managed.”

Frankie's mum

## OUR DEDICATED HALF-TERM SCHOOL FOR ASPIRING STAND-UPS IS BACK FOR 2023!

This specially designed course will give you the chance to learn tips and tricks of the trade from professional comedians. Plus, you get to perform at the Laugh Academy Showcase on the final day of the course.  
**No experience necessary**

From Monday 20th February  
to Friday 24th February 2023

Curve Theatre

Suitable for 11-18 year olds

£25 for a whole week of workshops



Secure your spot at  
[www.ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://www.ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)

For more information contact  
[info@ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](mailto:info@ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)



The UK Kids' Comedy Festival present:

# JOKES SPOT



A touring roadshow giving young people the opportunity to take to the stage, stand behind a microphone and tell their favourite joke!

Get your kids ready with their jokes, come along and join in the fun.



Saturday 10th February The Brife Centre

Sunday 12th February Belgrave Library

Tuesday 19th February Westcotes Library

Wednesday 20th February Park Pie Library and Community Centre

Tuesday 21st February Beaumont Leys Library

Wednesday 22nd February The Grove Community Hub

Thursday 23rd February Highfields Library

Friday 24th February Beaumont Leys and Stacking Farm  
Children, Young People and Family Centre

**WATCH OUT FOR MORE VENUES TO BE ANNOUNCED!**

For dates and times, please see brochure listings and our website [www.ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk](http://www.ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk)



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# THE UK KIDS' COMEDY FESTIVAL'S BIRTHDAY



## SPECTACULAR



You're invited to: **The UK Kids' Comedy Festival's 5th Birthday Party**

At: **Sue Townsend Theatre** On: **Sunday 26th February**

Time: **1:30pm** Hosted by: **Jarred Christmas & Hobbit**

And featuring: **Hilarious acts, party games, cake, and prizes**



**NHS**  
Leicester, Leicestershire  
and Rutland

Tickets: **£10-12**

RSVP: **ukkidscomedyfestival.co.uk**



# ACCESS GUIDE

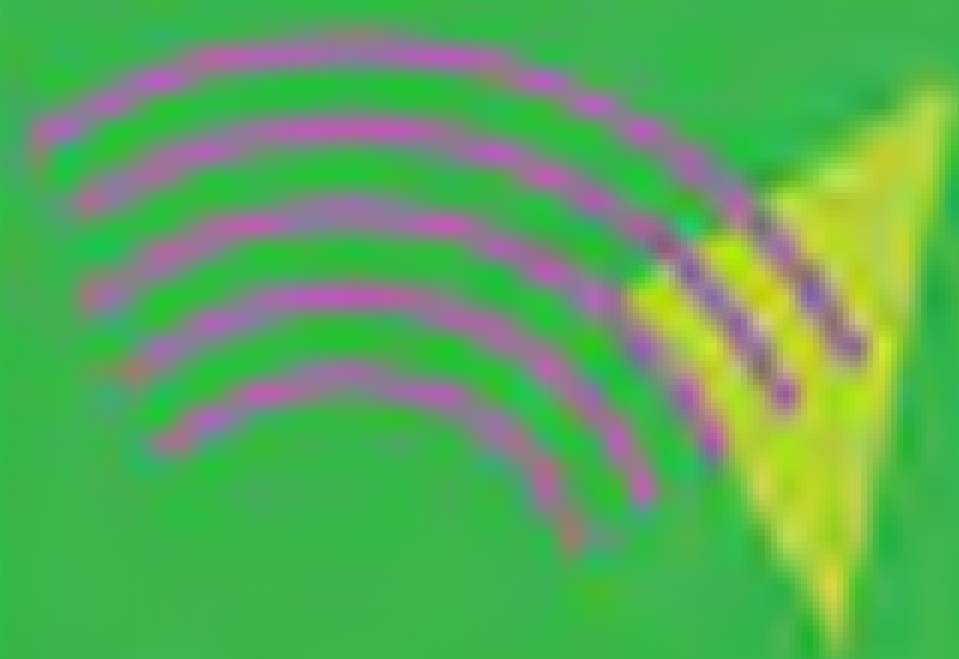


We have produced an access guide to the festival, which can be downloaded from [www.comedy-festival.co.uk/access](http://www.comedy-festival.co.uk/access) or you can contact us via email at [access@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk](mailto:access@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk)

The Access Guide provides information about physical access to the majority of our participating festival venues. For specific venue questions, please contact the venue direct. All venue contact details can be found at the back of this brochure.

To assist with your festival visit, you may also want to visit [www.disabledgo.com](http://www.disabledgo.com) which contains access details about Leicester City Centre and some of the venues.

# WELLBEING






We have produced a Mental Health and Wellbeing toolkit, which can be downloaded from [www.comedy-festival.co.uk/wellbeing](http://www.comedy-festival.co.uk/wellbeing) or accessed via [wellbeing@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk](mailto:wellbeing@bigdifferencecompany.co.uk)

This will provide a guide to ensure that the festival is accessible and supportive to those who may be experiencing a difficult time. It will also provide contact details of organisations which can provide Mental Health support.

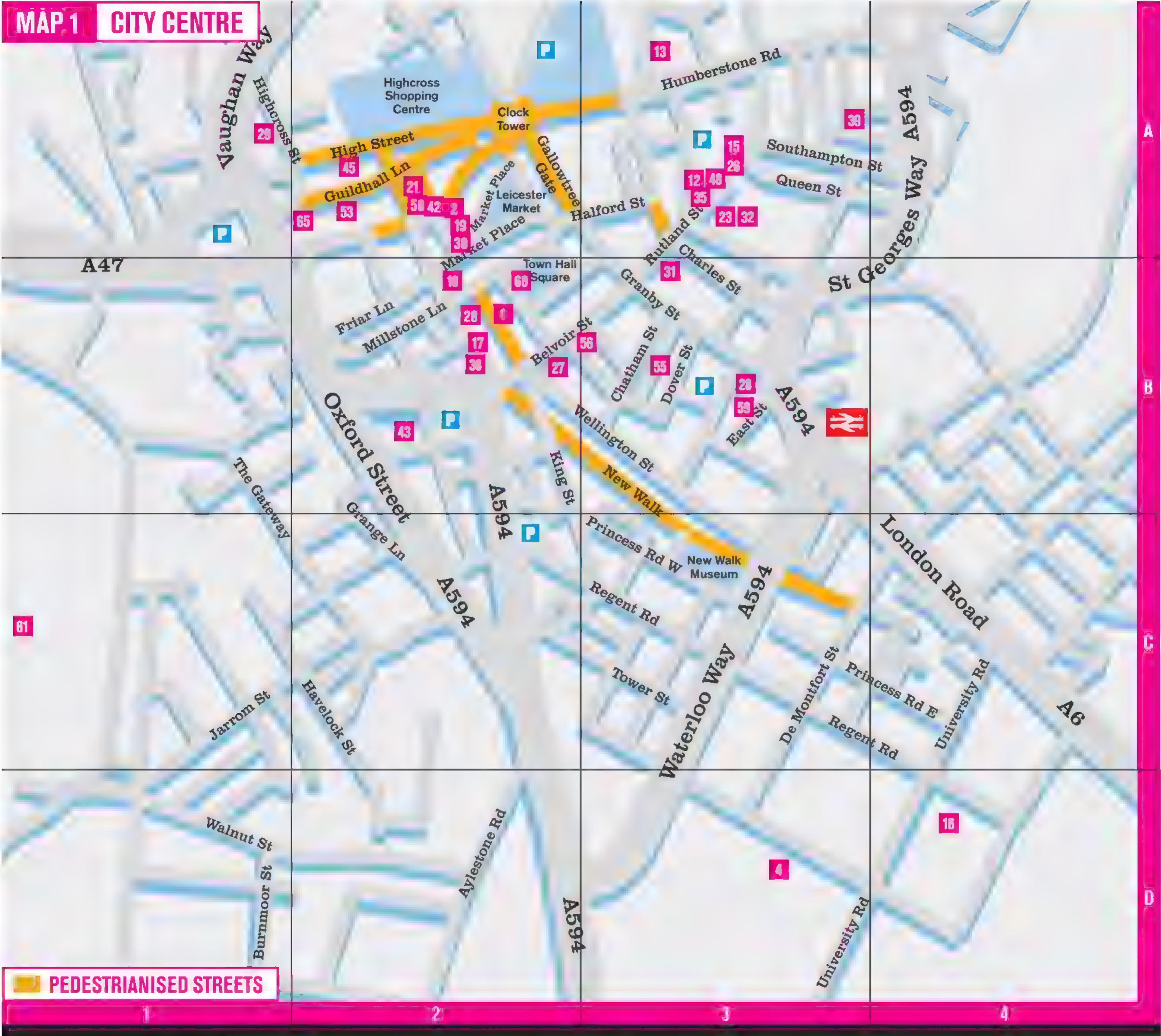


# VENUE INFORMATION

**PLEASE NOTE: THE FOLLOWING DETAILS ARE PROVIDED FOR THOSE LOOKING FOR VENUE INFORMATION (PARKING, FOOD, BAR DETAILS). FOR INFORMATION ABOUT HOW TO BUY TICKETS, PLEASE CALL THE FESTIVAL BOX OFFICE ON 0116 456 6812.**

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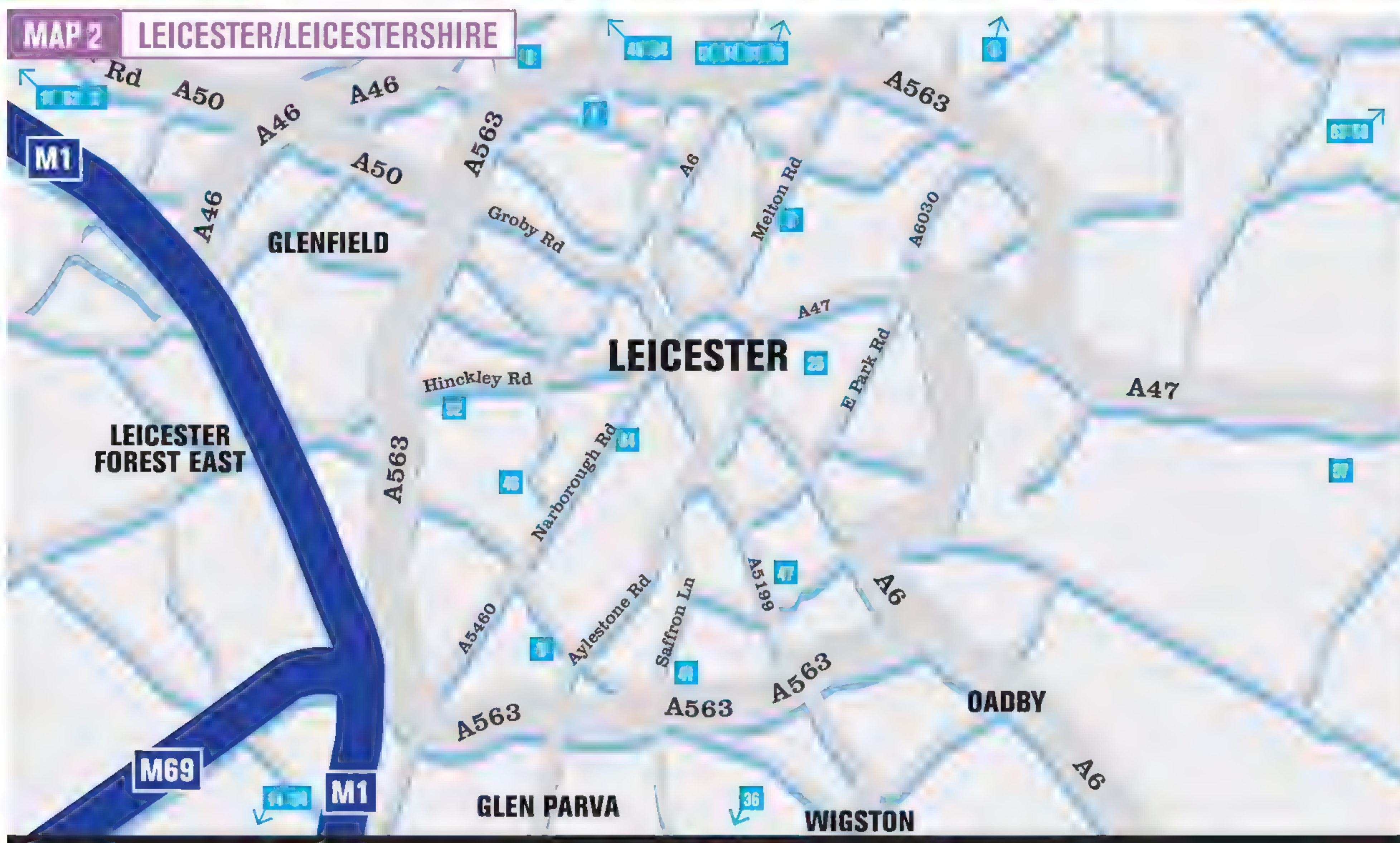




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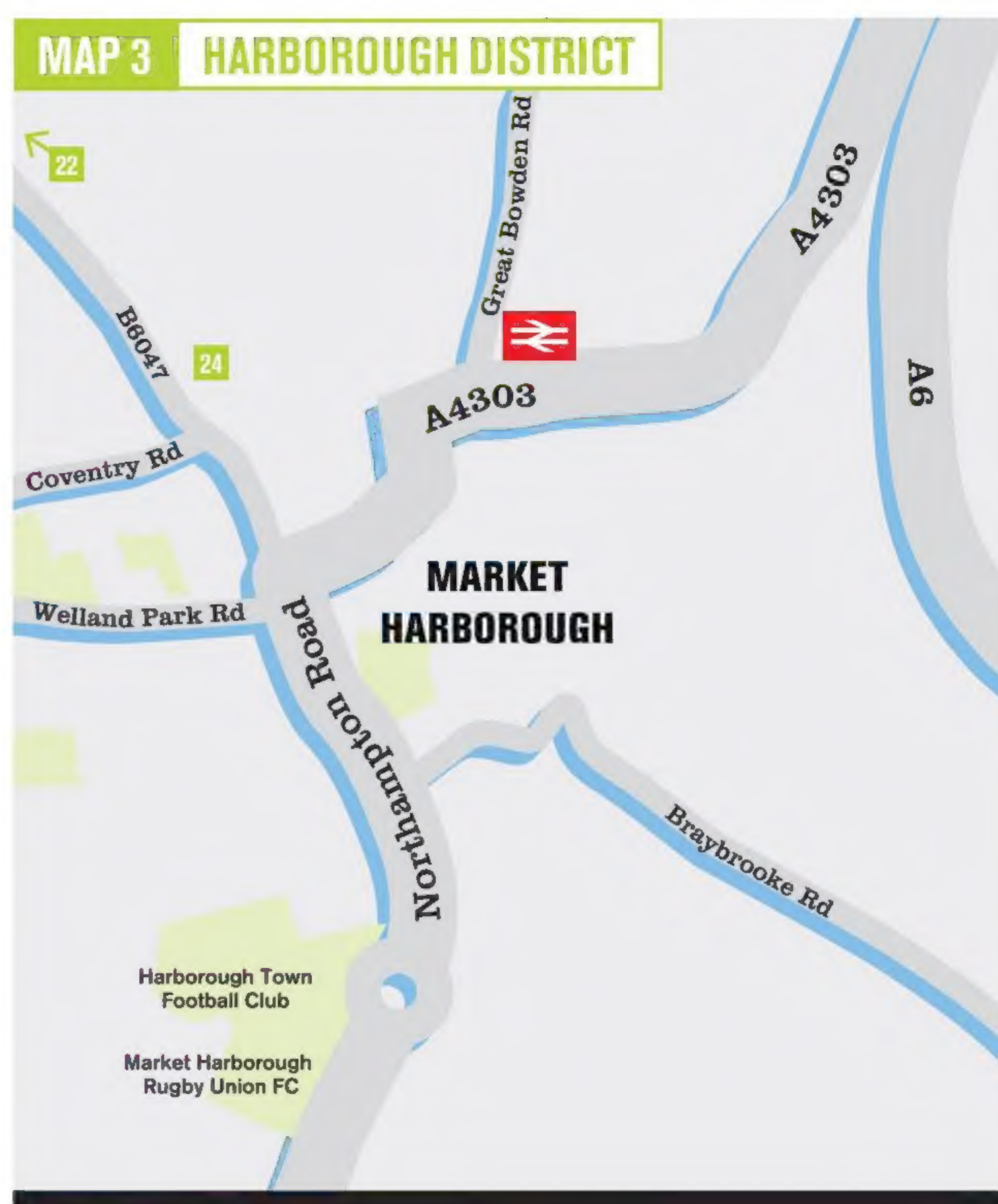




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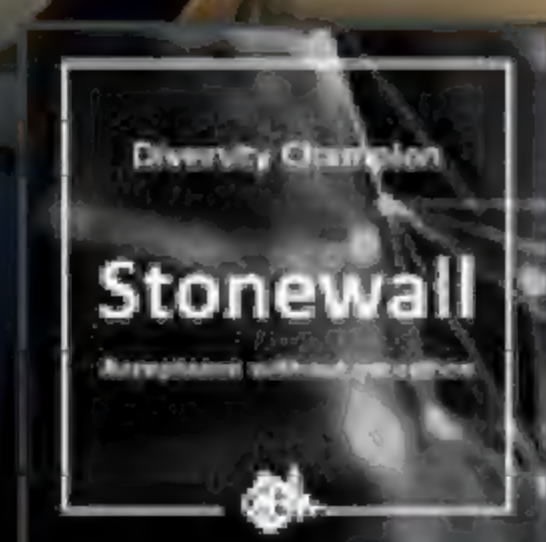
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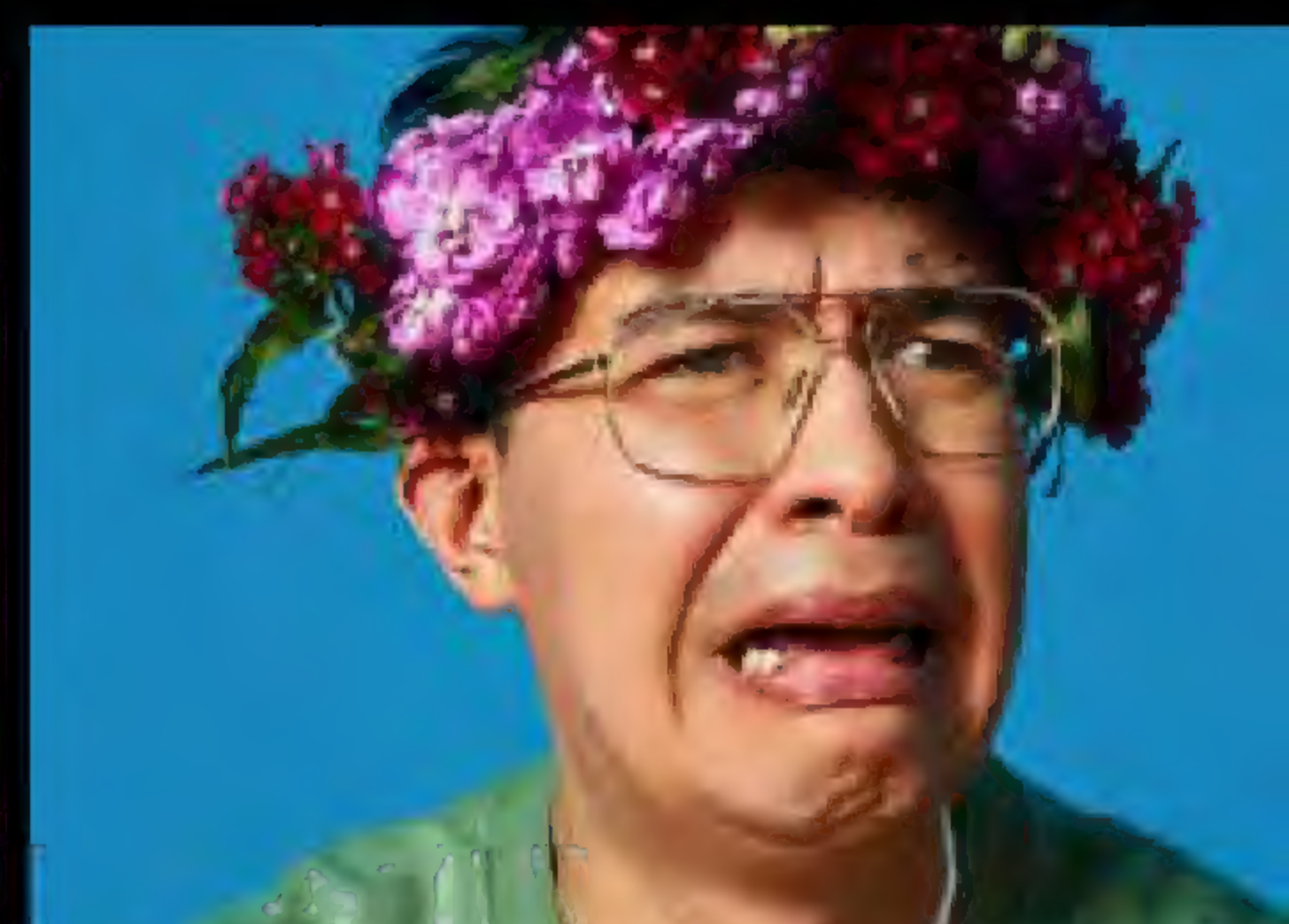
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